World Will Remember Atrocities of Germany, Japan

Analysis of the News by Mackenzie

Editorial Comment Written Today and Moved by Telegraph or Cable.

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What explanation is there in this Twentieth Century for the horrible atrocities which have been perpetrated wholesale on helpless American, Filipino and British prisoners of war by the Japanese, as exposed by Washington and London?

At first glance this Tigerish exhibition seems inexplicable. But the answer is there clear enough — or so it seems to me — and it's this:

The Japs are barbarians — literally barbarians. It's less than a century ago that our own Comodore Perry opened the Mikadoa's domains to the outside world and civilization. Since then the Nipponese have made considerable progress, but their instincts remain the same as they were in the savage days of pre-historic times. That's a hard thing to have to say, but it's true. While they have a veneer of civilization, their instincts are primordial.

"But," somebody challenges, "the Germans have been committing similar atrocities. Do you also claim that they're uncivilized?"

The reply is that Hitlerite Germany — the Nazi portion of the population — has deliberately reverted to barbarism under the Fuehrer's lead.

In stating this we must note that not all Germans are Nazis. On the contrary, there are many of the older generation who abhor Hitler and all his works, but are forced to do his bidding by the brutal Gestapo. They execute people in Germany these days for even talking out of turn.

Hitler, whom Winston Churchill has described as "this evil man, this monstrous abortion of hatred and deceit," has turned back the clock in his country to methods which make the barbarities of Attila the Hun look like the golden rule. He had to do this to impose his "master race" on the world by force.

One of his earliest steps was to discard Christianity and introduce paganism. The point was that Christianity didn't fit his ruthless program. He couldn't force the older people to abandon their religion, but he took over the education of the little folk and taught them his pagan doctrine of the right of might.

He stressed the glorification of war and killing. He savaged the boys for the days of slaughter he proposed to inaugurate as soon as he could. He encouraged the young girls of the reich to indiscriminate breeding of boys who could be reared in Nazi fanticism to serve as cannon fodder. The south whom Hitler got hold of ten years ago, today are dead upon the steppes of Russia, or are in his armies. The younger ones are coming along, ready to serve their master.

You will note Japan and Germany are the only nations which have been engaging in atrocities against prisoners of war and civilians. True, Mussolini also glorified war and practiced aggression. His son Vittorio called war the "quintessence of beauty" and compared the dropping of bombs on a column of horsemen in Ethiopia to "the budding of a rose." However, Il Duce was mostly "soft under-belly" and wind, and his sons took after the old man. You see, he didn't introduce paganism into Italy to brutalize his people.

British Foreign Secretary Eden in describing Jap atrocities against British prisoners uttered this warning:

"Let the Japanese government reflect that in time to come the record of their military authorities in this war will not be forgotten."

War crimes will be punished, but there remains a far greater problem for the Allies. That is the inauguration of an educational program to complete the civilization of the Japanese, and re-educate the Nazified Germans.

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Cattle, 10; calves. 50; compared with Friday last week, steers and cows 25-50 higher; heifers and mixed yearlings mostly 25 higher; bulls steady; vealers 25 higher; bulks for week slaughter steers 12.00-15.35; heifers and mixed yearlings 10.50-14.00; good cows 10.50-12.00; common and medium beef cows 8.50-10.50; the period closed with top sausage bulls 11.25 top vealers 15.25.

Sheep, none; compared with Friday last week: lambs 25-50 higher; older sheep strong to 25 higher; bulk good and choice wooled lambs for week: 15.25-16.25; top 16.25; good and choice clipped No. 1 and fall clipped pelts 14.50-15.50; part deck medium grade wethers 7.00; good and choice wooled ewes 7.00-7.50; medium and good 6.25-7 00.

NEW YORK COTTON

New York, Jan. 29 —(AP)— Cotton futures fluctuated narrowly in slow dealings. Trade and mill buying was balanced by southern hedge offerings and liquidation. Futures closed 10 to 15 cents a bale higher.

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Promote Peace Club Proposed by Japs

New York, Jan. 28 —(AP)— A Tokyo propaganda broadcast, beamed to the United States at the same hour the army-navy report on atrocities against prisoners of war was released, called upon Americans to promote "a peace for the world club," U. S. government monitors said today.

The Japanese commentator discussed the "lonely men out here in internment camps" and said prisoners of war were going to present the first act of John Steinbeck's "Of Mice and Men" as camp entertainment.

Then he said since the United States is a nation of clubs, "why not promote a peace for the world club?"

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According to Miss Cora Lee Westbrook, Assistant Home Demonstration Agent, a demonstration on pruning fruit trees will be given at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Johnson of the Union Grove Community Monday afternoon, January 31st. Work will begin promptly at 2:00 o'clock. This demonstration is being sponsored by the Union Grove Home Demonstration Club. Garden leaders from the surrounding clubs are urged to attend. An invitation is also extended to any one interested in improving their home orchard.

Mr. Enoch, acting Assistant Director in Charge of Fruit and Truch Branch Experiment Station, will give the demonstration.

Precision Plays Vital War Tole

Philadelphia (U.P.)—Micro-razor-edge measurements as a vital factor in the manufacture of war materials is a practiced art at the Frankford Arsenal where painstaking accuracy is imperative for two reasons—saving the lives of America's fighting men and contributing to the destruction of our enemies.

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Twin Brothers Win Silver Star Award

McAlester, Okla. (U.P.) Twin brothers, Pvts. Claude H. Stokes and Clyde T. Stokes, have been warded the Silver Star for their part in a devastating attack on a German position in Italy last September.

According to word received here, the brothers were members of a six-man tank destroyer crew which in 25 minutes demolished a pill box; wrecked five medium tanks, an armored half-track and an ammunition truck, and the house occupied by a detachment of Germans.

Holland, only some 12,000 square miles in area itself, possesses a colonial empire 70 times larger.

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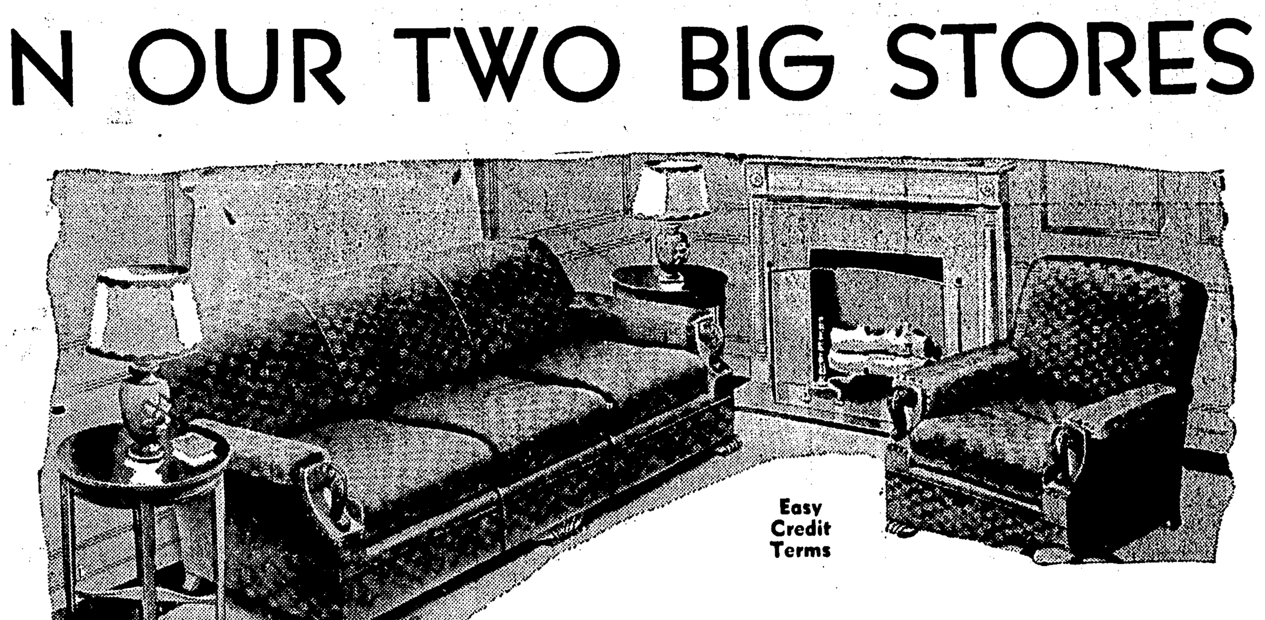

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Our Daily Bread

Sliced Thin by The Editor
—Alex. H. Washburn

The Barefoot Boy Turns Up 4F

It used to be an American legend that if the country had less money than the town at least the country had more good health.

But the Army examiners for Selective Service, just as in World War No. 1, are uncovering the cold hard facts.

Week-end wire reports quote Dr. A. R. Mangus, rural sociologist at Ohio State university, as saying that Army rejection of 18- and 19-year-old farm youths is running 62 per cent above the average for all draft registrants—and higher than any other major occupation.

Principal causes for rejection of farm boys:

Bad eyes.
Lack of mental balance.
Muscular or bone abnormalities.
Heart disease.
Bad hearing.
Hernia.

This is a tough-sounding report. However, we should remember that the medical examiners made some astounding discoveries back in 1917-18, the result of which was the launching of a nation-wide public health program. If the farm registrants lag behind the city registrants in physical soundness today it may be due to the fact that the public health program, largely concentrated in the cities, has improved town dwellers while rural folks have remained unchanged.

Even so, the number of town boys finishing high school but rejected by the Army as unfit for military service is appalling.

What we are facing here, whether town or country, is the need for periodic health checkups, and suggested remedies, either in diet or exercise.

The reaction of townfolks to the abnormally large number of military rejections among boys under 20 is pretty obvious: Everybody thinks we have been having too many spectator-games, where a few play while the others watch; and not enough student exercise programs.

The greatest guardian of public health, and at the same time the hardest taskmaster on exercise, is the Army; and it so happens that America can expect compulsory military service from now on—which will go a long way toward improving public health, whether in town or country.

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By S. BURTON HEATH
An Egregious Blunder

If American disciples of extreme nationalism were looking for a new talking point, they certainly got it in the much-discussed publication by the Communist newspaper Pravda of that Anglo-Nazi "separate peace" rumor.

Whatever the Soviet government's purpose may have been in allowing this rumor to be printed — and subsequent speculation has not produced a sensible explanation —the fact remains that Moscow played smack into the hands of those Americans who like Russia least.

They are the people who have preached distruct of England since the beginning of the war in Europe. They are the people who, when Hitler failed to overrun Russia, inflated the Bolshevik bogey-man to twice his normal size. And since Pearl Harbor, their violent apprehensiveness has hampered this government's efforts toward unity with its allies in the current fighting and in the peace to follow.

The saddest thing, perhaps, is that this rumor is bound to sow seeds of doubt in the minds of many Americans outside the isolationist camp, whose feeling toward both England and Russia has been one of confidence and trust. To be sure, there is abundant evidence of circumstance and logic to indicate that the "separate peace" rumor is a phony. And it is reasonable to suppose that the Russian authorities who sanctioned its publication knew that such evidence would be presented.

But the fact that Russia knew the rumor might be challenged does not make the picture any prettier. For what choice then does Pravda give the reader? Either to believe England guilty of an appalling double-cross, or to believe Pravda guilty of a deliberate and damaging falsehood.

Either choice offers an example of violent nationalism, and an invitation to Americans to adopt a similar attitude in self-defense. In 10 unfortunate lines, Pravda has presented American ultra-nationalism with a much more urgent and persuasive argument than the invocation of the quotation about "entangling alliances."

It is incredible that this was Russia's intention. It becomes less credible when one weighs the declarations of Moscow and Teheran, and the heroism of the Red Army, and the sum of Nazi brutality in Russia, against this incident, or Russia's boundary dispute with Poland, or Pravda's scolding of Mr. Willkie.

Probably the fairest explanation of the Pravda story is that it was an egregiously stupid diplomatic blunder.

R. A. Boyett Dies Here Late Today

Ruff A. Boyett, former mayor of Hope and widely known Hempstead citizen, died here late this afternoon. He was 80 years old.

Complete details on funeral arrangements will be announced tomorrow.

Nazi Line North of Cassino Is Broken by Allies

By WES GALLAGHER

Allied Headquarters, Algiers Jan. 31 (AP)— British and American forces threw themselves forward with redoubled fury today from both the beachhead are below Rome and their main trans-Italy line at Cassino.

While Allied headquarters announced new gains in both areas, the German high command's communique, as heard here, admitted that powerful tank and infantry forces had launched an offensive in a northerly and northeasterly direction from the strategic wedge just below Rome, and that battles on the main front had attained great violence.

The communique said the Allies were attacking the main German defenses in the Cassino area and admitted that some penetrations had been made, but declared these gains lacked significance.

Allied headquarters, however, said American infantry and tank teams, in a surprise thrust across the rapid river bottom which had been deliberately flooded by the Germans, had broken through a part of the German defenses north of Cassino.

Allied Headquarters, Algiers, Jan. 31 (AP)— American infantry and tank teams, surprising the Nazis with a thrust across the Rapido river bottom deliberately flooded by the Germans to form a barrier, have achieved a break through German defenses north of Cassino, Allied headquarters announced today.

While American fighters and bombers scored a record bag in Italy in knocking down 63 German planes in a series of flattening assaults yesterday on four enemy air bases in Northeastern Italy, British Tommies and American Rangers with tanks and tank-destroyer teams fought a string of sharp actions along the perimeter of the Anzio bridgehead and enlarged their grip on the strategic wedge 19 or 20 miles below Rome.

The Germans evidently had gained time to prepare a line of defenses through the Alban hills along the railroad from Rome to Cisterna, 26 miles southwest of the Eternal City, the British and Americans were methodically blasting them out of haystacks, silos, farm buildings and villages hastily converted into camouflaged pillboxes and forts.

(A Berlin broadcast today said a strong British-American offensive had been started from the bridgehead. Dispatches from the bridgehead yesterday said the Allies had poured six infantry divisions into the wedge, along with armor and guns.)

Despite the floods caused by the Germans diverting the Rapido river to a new course, American infantry and tanks north of Cassino on the main Fifth Army front, captured two key hills, Nos. 223 and 167, and fought their way into the villages of Cairo and Monte Villa where they are now mopping up.

Cairo is a little more than two miles north of Cassino, and Monte Villa is just over a mile.

"The American attack broke through German defenses in the area north of Cassino, known as the Facciano mountains, catching the Germans by surprise," an Allied headquarters commentator said.

"A 75 millimeter gun with its crew of 15 was taken intact along with a prisoner bag of 42."

Cassino still was being held strongly by the Germans but it was now outflanked from the north.

Tanks, pushed across the Rapido flood on a log bridge constructed by engineers working under shellfire, were of great assistance in smashing German pillboxes. American infantrymen, crouching in the path of the tank treads to avoid German minefields, worked closely with the tanks in the Russian style.

U. S. Marines were at Pensacola and took part in the ceremonies when Florida joined the Union in 1821.

Supreme Court Ruling Affects State Coalfields

Little Rock, Jan. 31 —(AP)—In a far-reaching opinion affecting mining in the Western Arkansas coal fields, the Supreme Court ruled today that the right to use underground passageways in leased land to haul coal from adjoining property was not incidental to a coal mining lease covering the former property.

The opinion, by Associate Justice McFaddin, affirmed in part and reversed in part a Sebastian chancery degree in a case involving Qaulity Excelcior Coal Company. The lower court was affirmed in requiring excelcior to pay George Reeves one and one half cents per tonnage damages on coal hauled from adjoining property through opening on his land.

The supreme court reversed and remanded that part of the degree permanently enjoining the coal company from using the passageways on Reeves' land. The lower court was directed to enter a decree allowing the company to continue using the passageways for duration of the lease, after paying damages and costs incidental to this suit, and requiring the concern to continue paying monthly haulage royalties at a rate of one and one half cents per ton on all coal carried through Reeves' land.

The chancery court had awarded Reeves damages totalling $625. Quality excelcior claimed the right to use the subterranean passages was implied in a 1936 lease made with Reeves to mine coal on his property.

Holding that quality excelcior could not use Reeves underground opening without a special agreement, the supreme court said this view was supported by a decision of federal district court of Colorado in a similar case.

Directing the lower to require quality excelcior to pay per tonnage haulage royalties the tribunal said if this was not done then the lower court should enter a permanent injunction. It directed the coal company within 30 days to pay damages to Reeves to date of the chancery decree, to give Reeves a full monthly statement on coal hauled through his land and to pay subsequent haulage royalties on or before the twentieth day of each month.

The high tribunal gave decisions in three other Sebastian county cases.

It affirmed Sebastian circuit, Greenwood district, in denying a workmen's compensation claim to Emory Hughes.

Hughes added damages for burns from the explosion of a carbide light April 23, 1942 while he was working in a strip-pit owned by the estate O. E. Tayley.

Hitler Now Says Britain, U.S. Can't Win

London, Jan. 31 (AP) Adolf Hitler apparently has discarded the line he took only a month ago that the war will end without a victor — and returned to his old theme that only Soviet Russia or Nazi Germany can win the struggle.

In a grim New Year's message Dec. 31, the Nazi Fuehrer asserted "in this war there will be no victors and losers, but merely survivors and annihilated."

Yesterday, on the 11th anniversary of his rule, he declared "from this fight can emerge only one victor, and this will be either Germany or Soxivet Russia. A German victory means the preservation of Europe, and a Soviet victory Europe's annihilation."

The Germans news agency DNB said the broadcast speech was relayed by Berlin from "Hitler's headquarters." The speech was delivered in a calm, even voice, as if read from a script.

Hitler said England already had lost her power on the continent and he seized upon the Russian-Polish question as evidence of the decline.

"What Europe in practice could expect from British promises of help is best proved by the Anglo-American attitude toward Poland, Finland and the Baltic states, as well as entire southeast Europe," he said.

"All these states have been dropped and sacrificed," he continued, "not because this is demanded by the individual Englishman, but because Great Britain is incapable of preventing such a development in the case of a Bolshevist victory."

Americans Dump Shells, Bombs on Marshalls

—War in Pacific

By The Associated Press

American forces cracked down on the Japanese defenders of the Marshall island with terrific power yesterday dumping shells and aerial bombs in pre-invasion numbers.

It was the second consecutive day of assault by shifts and planes on the Central Pacific islands the Japs have had 25 years to fortify. Admiral Chester W. Nimitz, Pacific fleet comander, in a communique from Pearl Harbor, said last night surface forces, probably battlefields, cruisers and destroyers, moved within 10 to 20 miles of the atolls to pound their installations with thousands of shells.

Carrier-based planes dropped tons of bombs on Kwajalein, Maloelap, Wotje, and Rio atolls. Other carrier forces went to work on Eniwetok, northwest atoll of the group, thereby holding inmobile Japanese air strength that might otherwise have been used to make trouble for our air and sea operations.

A Tokyo broadcast beamed to North America asserted "Japanese army and navy units have intercepted powerful enemy units which have been attacking the Marshall groups since the morning of Jan. 30 and fierce fighting is now going on."

Things aren't going so well for the Nipponese on other fronts. Friday morning and evening American planes continued their persistent attacks on Rabaul, 1 one-time powerful Japanese stronghold on New Britain, and bagged at least 30 and more likely 62 enemy planes. The Nips tried interception with 70 planes. Thirty of them were certain kills and 12 were probables. On the ground 20 more enemy planes were caught like "sitting ducks" and added to the "probable" toll. Our losses were five fighters and a medium bomber.

The Japanese have tried frantically to stop the American power plays, but January saw their defense torn to shreds at Rabaul. They had their worst month of the war in the air in the Southwest Pacific, losing at least 546 planes and probably 717 against our loss of 97.

Today's comunique from General Douglas MacArthur reported naval bombardment of Jap targets on Bougainville in the Solomons as well as dive bombing attacks on enemy positions holding up the Allied drive on Madang, New Guinea. A fair sized convoy was caught off the northwest tip of New Ireland by a reconnaissance plane which left two ships, one of them a destroyer, burning.

On the western end of New Britain island the Japs were reported pinned down against the mountainous interior by marines with strong aerial support.

Allied troops captured Vitali, half mile north of Htindaw on the Arakan front in Burma without opposition. RAF dive bombers hit Japanese airfields at the Western Burma port of Akyab and surrounding areas while American mediums were active in Central Burma, damaging two important bridges.

Browder Favors Only One Ticket

Cleveland, Ohio, Jan. 31 — UP— Earl Browder said last ngiht he thought there should be only one presidential ticket in 1944 and asked Democratic and Republican leaders to subordinate party interest to further the war effort.

Mr. Browder spoke at a meeting to commenorate the 20th anniversary of the Daily Worker.

He said that if the single ticket idea did not win favor, party leaders should at least try to cut out partisanship in the next election. Browder declared that the party which is the least partisan will have the best chance of success this year.

SHERIFF TO MEET

Little Rock, Jan. 31 —(AP)— The Arkansas Sheriffs Association will hold its annual meeting here Wednesday and Thursday.

Deputy Must Have Following Records to Figure Your Tax:

At the request of Paul Simms, deputy at Hope postoffice for the Collector of Internal Revenue, The Star is publishing the following list of records which a taxpayer must bring with him when asking help of the deputy in making out income tax return:

1. Form W-2 or V-2 furnished you by your employer showing wages received and tax withheld.

2. Form 1125 sent you by the Collector of Internal Revenue with the blank forms for 1943 showing tax reported and amount paid for 1942.

3. If you filed a Declaration of Estimated Tax during 1943, a copy of such declaration, Form 1040-ES, or the Taxpayers Work Sheet used in preparing it.

4. All members of the armed forces and any other taxpayers who do not have item 2 above should have with them a copy of the 1942 tax return and a record of the exact amount of tax paid thereon.

5. An accurate record of all other income besides wages received in 1943.

Junglecrafty Army Nurses

U. S. Army nurses in China-India-Burma theater, through rigid training, are becoming jungle experts and will soon take their places at the fighting front. Photos above were taken by Frank Cancellare, NEA-Acme photographer for the war picture pool, when he accompanied them on recent eight-mile jungle hike. They carried full combat packs, and top picture shows Lieut. Olive Grainer of Evansville, Ind., getting a helping hand—and foot—from Lieut. Jennie Tinkovicz of Fostoria, O. At left, below, Lieut. Laura Hudson, Middletown, O., slides down one of the steep drops in the tortuous trail. At right, chow time finds Lieuts. Frances Riney Louisville, Ky., and Marie Kolebob of New York, digging cold C rations from cans.

U.S. Submarines Sink 14 Japanese Ships to Raise Total to 572

Washington, Jan 31 —(AP)— The navy reported today the sinking of 14 Japanese ships, some of which may have been endeavoring to reinforce enemy positions in the Marshall islands in the Pacific, now being battered by American air and surface forces.

All of the Japanese ships went down after attacks by far-ranging American submarines, but just where the submersibles struck was not disclosed in the brief communique reporting their latest bag.

Two large transports, which could have been carrying troops for enemy positions in the Marshalls, were included among the 14 ships downed by American torpedoes.

The total also included eight freighters presumably laden with badly needed supplies for enemy bases.

The new report of damage to the battered Japanese merchant fleet brings o 572 the number of enemy ships sunk, probably sunk or damaged by submarine action since the Pacific war started.

Of that number, 422 have been sunk, 36 probably were sunk and 114 damaged.

The navy communique, asserted that in the Pacific and Far East U. S. submarines have reported the sinking of 14 enemy vessels in operations against the enemy as follows:

"Sunk:
"Two large transports.
"One medium transport.
"One medium tanker.
"One medium naval auxiliary.
"One small freighter.
"One medium cargo transport.
"Seven medium freighters."

County's War Bond Sale Is 61% of Quota

Hempstead county's sales in the Fourth War Loan went to a new high of $365,000 today, County Chairman C. C. Spragins reported.

This is a big advance since the last report, and carries the county up to 61.8 per cent of its quota in the intensive drive which began January 18 and ends February 15.

Through the cooperation of the War Department, State units of the Army now engaged in combat overseas will be kept informed of the progress of the Fourht War Loan Drive in their communities, the Treasury Department announced today.

These transmissions, radioed to the fighting fronts, will be confined to former National Guard Divisions whose identity and whereabouts have already been divulged in official War Department communiques.

The first division to be given an account of the Fourth War Bond Drive at home is the 34th Division from Minnesota, now fighting in Italy. In an official Treasury Department radiogram transmitted by the War Department, O. J. Arnold, State Chairman of the Minnesota War Finance Committee, reported to the Commanding General of the 34th Division:

"Your Minnesota State Chairman of the War Finance Committee reports that the people of Minnesota, during the first eight days of the Fourth War Loan, have bought $22,200,000 in War Bonds as compared to $16,000,000 for the same period in the Third War Loan. As we are backing the attack of the boys from Minnesota, would appreciate a report of their reaction."

Arrangements for the Division Commander to reply officially have been set up with the War Department by the Treasury.

In addition to this service the Special Services Division of the Army carries daily reports of the progress of the Fourth War Loan to all troops overseas in radio and cable news reports.

PHYSICIAN IS CANDIDATE

Camden, Jan. 31 (AP)— Dr. R.B. Robins, Camden, immediae past president of the Arkansas Medical Society, announced his candidacy for election as Demacratic national committeeman from Arkansas at the July-August primaries.

Arkansans Listed Among Casualties

Washington, Jan. 31 (AP)—Three Arkansans and 446 other United States soldiers were listed by the War Department today as killed in action.

Cpl. Guy N. Smith, son of Mrs. Lola A. Smith, Route 1, Texarkana, was killed in the Southwest Pacific. Killed in the Mediterranean area were Pfc. Francis A. Lpacasse, son of Mrs. Mossie B. Martin. Hatfield, and Pfc. James E. Reginato son of Mrs. Myrtle J. Reginato, Paris.

The Navy Department reported today that Leroy Ward, steward's mate, first class, son of George Ward of Lexa, Ark., was missing in action.

Marine Pfc. Noah W. Voyles, son of Mrs. Everett Durrett of Strong, Ark., was reported wounded.

Soviets Reach Approaches to Baltic Gateway

—Europe

By HENRY C. CASSIDY

Moscow, Jan. 31 (AP)— Russian troops, pushing rapidly west from Leningrad today along the shores of the Gulf of Finland, reached the approaches of Kingisepp, gateway to the Baltics.

Gen. Leonid A. Govorov's army passed Veimarn, 17 miles from the border of Estonia on the railway from Leningrad to Reval (Tallinn) the junction is east of Kingisepp, which controls entry into Estonia through a strip of ground between the gulf and Lake Chudov.

Troops of Gen. Markian Propov's second pre-Baltic front maintained pressure from Novosokolniki, approaching within less than 60 miles of Latvia along the Moscow-Riga railroad. This force encountered alternate blizzards and thaws which made the advance difficult.

(The German communique said the Russians had launched a big scale atack in the Dnieper bend southwest of Dnepropetrovsk and achieved one penetration. Heavy battles were reported southwest of Cherkasy and southeast of Byela Tserkov. The Germans acknowledged that the Russians "gained further ground" in several sectors between Lake Ilmen and the Gulf of Finland. Several infiltrations were reported sealed off between the Pripet and Berezina rivers in Southern White Russia.

(The Germans admitted the Russians were advancing southwest of Cherkasy and southeast of Belaya Tserkov, but declared the Nazis had scored an important victory south of Pogrebische in a six-day battle with the wiping out of more than 10 Soviet infantry divisions and several tank corps. The Germans said they took 6,800 prisoners, killed 8,000 Russians, and captured or destroyed several hundred tanks and 680 guns)

A dispatch from the Novosokolniki front said ski troops were making good progress through German lines but that infantrymen were wading through deep snow which soaked their felt boots and greatcoats, slowing their advance.

The Germans were offering stubborn resistance in steel and concrete fortifications and along thickly mined roads, the dispatch said. The Russians repulsed 26 counterattacks of forces up to regimental strength before taking Novosokolniki and their advance continued to the west and northwest.

The Leningrad forces approached Kingisepp from the northeast along the coast as well as from the east along the railroad.

South of Leningrad, the advance extended 17 miles southwest and 19 miles south of Gatchina (Rasnogvardeisk).

A third prong on the Leningrad offensive had thrust forward 28 miles from the railway city of Lyuban.

German Capital, 3 Other Points Heavily Bombed

London, Jan. 31 —(AP) —Hundreds of big RAF bombers smashed at Berlin again last night with a holocaust of fire and explosives in history's greatest sustained aerial offensive, which left the Nazi capital and three other great industrial cities aflame and heaped with rubble.

It was the third terrific blow in four nights upon Berlin, and Mosquito bombers darted in after the heavy bombers to add to the spreading ruin.

An ominous silence fell over the whole of Germany in the wake of four days of night-and-day bombings, including powerful American raids Sunday on Brunswick and Hannover and a record U.S. bomber blow at Frankfurt Saturday.

Communications between Sweden and Berlin, broken Sunday, were not restored until midday today, and the first dispatch reaching Stockholm said last night's attack caused "great damage."

The RAF said "a very strong force" of bombers struck Berlin, still flaming from assaults on Thursday and Friday nights.

Thus Germany began her 12th year under Nazi rule with the homeland strewn with debris and death.

Smaller forces of night raiders stabed at other objectives in central and western Germany. The entire night's work which also included mine-laying operations, cost the RAF 33 planes — the smallest loss in the last four Berlin attacks. This indicated the sustained assaults were proving a heavy drain on enemy fighter forces.

The first British announcement on last night's Berlin raid failed to give the tonnage dropped but it likely was at least 1,500 long tons, which is about average for the heavy assaults since the battle of Berlin began last Nov. 18.

That would mean approximately 21,000 long tons of bombs have cascaded on the city in an actual bombing time of less than ten hours.

Large fleets of Allied bombers and fighters kept the air battle roaring on today, striking out toward northern France.

In a little more than 72 hours, the Allies have pounded German and occupied territory with six heavy assaults and several lighter sweeps, dropping probably well over 8,000 tons of bombs in the greatest sustained offensive the world has ever known.

The German-controlled Scandinavian Telegraph Bureau said the RAF bombed large areas of Berlin last night, and indicated the center of the city was hard hit. German fighters met the raiders at the coast, but many of the bombers took new routes to reach Berlin, it added.

Up to mid-afternoon, the German radio has made no mention of the Berlin attack in broadcasts to German listeners. In a broadcast beamed abroad, Berlin declared at least 44 RAF bombers had been shot down.

Briggs Pleads Not Guilty in Letter Case

Washington, Jan. 31 —(AP)— George N. Briggs pleaded innocent today to charges he forged the celebrated "Hopkins letter."

Appearing to answer federal indictments which alleged forgery, false pretense and use of the mails to defraud, Briggs, former confidential aide to Interior Secretary Ickes, entered a disclaimer to all these charges.

His attorneys then asked for and were granted three weeks to file such motions or demurrers as they might decide to offer preliminary to trial.

The 55-year-old Briggs, extremely serious and subdued, answered to the charges in a voice that was almost inaudible.

His $3,000 bond was continued.

The indictments against the suspended Interior Department employe alleged he faked the so-called "Hopkins letter" which crated a furore when it was made public by C. Nelson Sparks, Akron, O., Republican leader and author of the anti-Willkie book "One Man—Wendell Willkie."

The letter, on White House stationery, bore the name of Harry Hopkins, President Roosevelt's close friend and adviser, and was so worded as to give an impression some sort of understanding existed between Hopkins and Willkie.

Hopkins branded the letter a forgery, Willkie called it absurb. Sparks said he had accepted the letter from Briggs in good faith and had paid Briggs money in connection with the delivery.

After the matter had been aired at length in the Senate, Briggs said he was a victim of "power politics"

AT LEAST 700 TO VOTE

Little Rock, Jan. 32 (AP)—More than 700 service men and women from Arkansas already have indicated their desire to vote in the 1944 general election, Secretary of State C. G. Hall announced.

Cleaning Shop Keeps Windows too Clean

Kansas City, Mo. —(U.P.)— The owner of a shoe shining and hat cleaning establishment in Kansas City is thinking that perhaps it doesn't pay to keep plate glass windows too clean.

A 225-pound man walked into the 5-by-8 glass in front of the shop recently. The window broke, and the man backed up and walked away. When police caught up with him, the confused "would-be-customer" explained, "I needed a shine and thought the window was an opening."

OPPOSE PARKING METERS

Blytheville, Jan. 31—(AP)— Chancellor Francis Cherry has permanently enjoined the Buckeye Incubator Co., Springfield, O., from reinstalling parking meters here. He acted on a petition of 61 Blytheville business men.

NOTICE

Beginning Monday, January 17, 1944, all persons having an honorable discharge from any branch of Armed Forces will find assistance in filling out military service claims at the "Hempstead County Service Bureau," located at Chamber of Commerce office, City Hall building, Hope, Arkansas.

Terrell S. Cornelius, Adj., the American Legion, Acting Service Officer, Hope, Ark.

Hitler's Speech Seen As Cry for Help Against Reds

Analysis of the News by Mackenzie

Editorial Comment Written Today and Moved by Telegraph or Cable.

By DeWITT MacKENZIE
Associated Press War Analyst

Hitler's speech yesterday, on the eleventh aniversary of Nazi rule, was one of the strange developments of the war, for it was in its essence the desperate cry of a beaten and terrified man for aid from the Anglo-American Allies to save him from the vengeance of the Red armies.

Success of his scheme, of course, would mean the causing of a rupture among the Big Three and in an effort to put his appeal across he once more prophesied dire things from Bolshevism. America and England, he warned, were menaced.

"From this fight (the European struggle) there can emerge only one victor and this will be either Germany or Soviet Russia," he declared. "German victory means preservation of Europe, and a Soviet victory Europe's annihilation."

Britain, he said, already had lost her position on the continent. Then he dropped his block-buster, which he hoped would create panic among the Anglo-American peoples:

"The question confronting both England and the United State hence no longer is whether they want or are able after this war to fight Bolshevism but whether they will be able to defend themselves against Bolshevism in their own countries."

That was, I take it, more than an attempt to sow discord among the Big Three. In effect it suggested German-British-American collaboration to smash our Soviet ally. The master gangster has reached the point where he undoubtedly would make any sort of bargain with the Anglo-American pair to defeat the Russians. Short of that preposterous suggestion, any kind of split among the Allies would give the wavering Reich a shot in the arm.

Hitler is scared, and with reason. Even as he spoke, American warplanes were dumping an awful freight of destruction on the airplane factories of Brunswick and the great rail center of Hanover. And the Royal Air Force gave the Fuehrer his direct answer last night when a great fleet of heavy bombers again attacked stricken Berlin, to emphasize the Allied determination to destroy this capital of the most evil government the modern world has known — barring the Japanese.

During these assaults the Allies shot down 91 of Hitler's precious warplanes, and the Anglo-American air forces in Italy destroyed some 63 more. Thus again was demonstrated the aerial superiority which is blazing the way to the destruction of Nazidom.

Meanwhile the Red Army the Fuehrer fears so much continued to rip into his battle line and move steadily forward toward the borders of the Reich over the bodies of countless German youth.

Annihilation continued to be the Red slogan. As I pointed out recently, apparently few prisoners are being taken. It's war to the death between the avenging Russians and the Nazis who murdered and plundered and destroyed their way through Soviet territory.

No wonder Hitler the Hun is frightened, but he chose a particularly inopportune moment to try to win Allied support or cause a rupture. Both America and England have been aroused to utterfury by the disclosure of the barbaric atrocities on American, British and Filipino prisoners of war by his barbaric Jap allies. We have full proof that Nazidom is no less savage, though possibly not quite so sadistically crude in its tortures. We're not helping preserve Hitler's "civilization" for Europe.

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Rangers Rout Germans in Tough Battle

By reynolds packard
Representing the Combined American Press
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With American Rangers in the Field Below Rome, Jan. 30 (Delayed) — The toughest fighting today was done by American Rangers who smacked the enemy back in two different places from behind two American tank destroyers on one of Mussolini's so-called model farm communities and pushed forward leaving only smoking rubble.

The tank destroyers from which I was watching the fight gave direct support, firing at haystacks and farm houses and scoring direct hits.

The Germans had barricaded themselves in this rural cross-roads community, using silos as pillboxes. In every house were snipers and machinegun nests and they covered the streets through which the Rangers were marching with a criss-cross fire.

I could see the Rangers taking a few houses at a time, then firing from the windows and lobbing hand grenades ahead at the next house.

The tank destroyers also smashed shells into the houses just 30 yards ahead of the Rangers. It was close timing. The Germans brought up self-propelled guns and tanks and used mortars also.

I saw batches of prisoners being taken by the Rangers.

Two tank destroyers, "The Bums Rush" and "The Beear Barrel," were under the command of Lt. Charles R Bell, of St. Louis, Mo.

"Boy," he said, "are those Rangers giving them hell! Let's give them some more help."

And both tank destroyers would let loose in unison with others scattered across the field.

Later when the fight was ended I reached this settlement and saw the havoc the Rangers, tanks and tank destroyers had done. There were dead Germans spilled out of the houses where they had been under cover or blown from behind chimney pots where they had been sniping.

Houses, haystacks and barns were burning and the ground, peppered with shells from both sides, was like a giant-nutmeg grater.

Despite the rough going on the front — I received the heaviest shelling I have yet encountered on this beachhead, being pinned down several times in wet drainage ditches forming part of Mussolini's reclaimed farmland — I had the best meal since landing."

It was cooked in no-man's land by Sgt. Mark Sperlock, of Lima, Ohio, and Sgt. Michael Latuff, of St. Paul, Minn.

Both were from a huge tank retriever in which they had just pulled in one of our tanks that had been hit. While waiting orders to retrieve more tanks they were trying a chicken they had brought for a dollar from the inevitable Italian farmer in no-man's land.

Sperlock said "he was peddling chickens to the tanks while they still were firing."

Latuff said between nibbles of a big drumstick that "this old hen should have been parboiled, but, anyway it's not too bad fried, especially with all this shelling going on around us. Help yourself to some more."

I did.

PLAN CAP TRAINING UNITS

Little Rock, Jan. 31 —(AP)— The Civil Air Patrol squadrons at Pine Bluff, Conway and Jonesboro will open CAP cadet training units immediately and cadet units of all other squadrons will be enlarged to take care of some 750 additional cadet enlistees needed to fill the state's 1,200 goal for 1944, Lt. Col. Rex P. Hayes, state wing commander announced.

There are more than 500 islands in the Caroline Islands group.

Legal Notice

NOTICE OF SALE

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned mortgagee in a mortgage executed by Harvey Henry to the United States on the 15th day of March, 1943, and duly filed in the office of the Recorder in and for Nevada County, Arkansas; the said Harvey Henry having waived all rights of appraisement, sale and redemption under the laws of the State of Arkansas; pursuant to the powers granted under the terms of the aforementioned mortgage, and by the laws of the State of Arkansas, will on the 1st day of February, 1944, between the hours of 9 o'clock in the forenoon and 5 o'clock in the afternoon of said date, at Sutton Sale Barn in the County of Hempstead, State of Arkansas, offer for sale to the highest and best bidder for cash ,the following described property, to-wit: 1 Jersey cow, Jersey, 600 lbs., 4; 1 red cow, Red, 600 lbs., 15; 1 gray horse mule, Sid, 1100 lbs., 13; 1 bay mare mule, Queen, 900 lbs., 7; 1 double shovel, without handles; 1 middle buster without wings and handles; 1 Ga. Stock; 1 Avery turning plow.

Witness my hand this the 27th day of January, 1944.

United States of America,
By W. M. SPARKS,
County Supervisor.

Jan. 31, 1944.

Market Report

ST. LOUIS LIVESTOCK

National Stockyards, Ill., Jan. 31 —(AP)— Hogs, 27,000; fairly active; 180 lbs up mostly steady with Friday; lighter weights 10-15 lower; sows 20-25 lower top and bulk good and choice 200-330 lbs 13.70; heavier weights scarce; 170-190 lbs 13 10-65; 140-160 lbs 11.90-13.00; 120-140 lbs 10.90-12.00; 100-120 lbs 8.50-11.00; thin light pigs down to 6.00 bulk good sows 11.75, few at 11.8; fairly good clearance now indicated.

Cattle 5,000; calves 1,000; moderately active inquiry on liberal supply of cattle; opening sales fully steady on all classes; few good steers 14.50-15.25; medium and good heifers and mixed yearlings 11.00-13.50; common and medium beef cows 8.50-10.75, a few to 12.00; beef bulls up to 12.00; top sausage bulls 11.25; good and choice vealers 15.25 medium and good 12.75 and 14.00; nominal range slaughter steers 9.50-16.50; slaughter heifers 9.00-15.50; stocker and feeder steers 8.00-13.00.

Sheep 1,500, steady; good and choice wooled lambs to all interests 15.50-16.25; medium and good 13.50-15.00; common throwouts 10.50-11.50; wooled ewes quotable at 7.50 down.

NEW ORLEANS COTTON

New Orleans, Jan. 31 (AP) — Long realizing and hedge selling erased early advances in cotton futures here today and the market closed steady 10 cents a bale lower to 5 cents higher.

Mch high 20.43 — low 20.34 — close 20.34 unch
May high 20.16 — low 20.08 — close 20.08 up 1
Jly high 19.82 — low 19.73 — close 19.73 unchanged
Oct high 19.28 — low 19.18 — close 19.18-20 off 2
Dec high 19.11 — low 19.07 — close 19.00B off 2
B-bid.

Spot cotton closed steady and unchanged. Sales 3,322, low middling 16.81, middling 20.21, good middling 20.61, receipts 1,1-525, stock 166,808.

NEW YORK COTTON

New York, Jan. 31 —(AP)— A last minute flurry of hedge selling and profit taking halted advancing tendencies in cotton after advancing 40 cents a bale.

Final prices were 10 cents a bale lower to 10 cents higher.

Mch high 20.29 — low 20.19 — last 20.19-20 off 2
May high 19.98 — low 19.89 — last 19.90 up 2
Jly high 19.62 — low 19.55 — last 19.56-57 up 2
Oct high 19.24 — low 19.15 — last 19.15 off 1
Dec high 19.07 — low 18.97 — last 18.97 off 2
Middling spot 21.04N off 2
N-nominal.

GRAIN AND PROVISIONS

Chicago, Jan. 31 (AP)— Grains weakened toward the close today when buying power dried up and it appeared fairly large offerings were hanging over the market. Rye, which had been up about a cent at one time, backed down quickly and other grains followed. Selling in wheat came from houses with southwestern connections.

At the close wheat was unchanged to 1-4 lower, May $1.71 3-4 1—5-8, oats were up 1-8—1-2, May 80 3-8—1-2, rye was 5-8—7-8 higher, May $1.32 58—3-4, and barley was unchanged, September $1.19 18. There was no trading in May or July barley.

NEW YORK STOCKS

New York, Jan. 31 (AP) — A smattering of steels, rails and specialties made headway in today's concluding January stock market but many leaders were at a standstill or a trifle lower.

From the start price changes generally were small either way. Near-closing trends were notably foggy although steels picked up at the last. Transfers for the full proceedings were around 600,000 shares.

POULTRY AND PRODUCE

Chicago, Jan. 31 (AP)— Poultry, live, firm; 3 cars, 9 trucks; hens 23; leghorn hens 24; colored broilers, fryers, springs 27 1-2 rocks, broilers, fryers, springs 27 1-2 leghorn chickens 26 1-2; roosters 20; ducks 25 geese 25 turkeys 29 to 35.

NEW YORK COTTON

New York, Jan. 31 (AP)—Cotton futures advanced for the fourth consecutive session and carried the March contract to the highest price since last summer.

Trade demand was spurred by expected government purchases in the open market and a further tightening in the spot situation.

Late afternoon values were 35 to 40 cents a bale higher, March 20.28, May 19.96, July 19.61.

U. S. farm income for 1943 was estimated at $19,000,000,000. compared with $4,743,000,000 in 1932.

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Hope Negro Must Serve Three Years

Little Rock, Jan. 31 (AP)— In a suit involving a piece of Garland county real estate formerly owned by the late Mrs. Matton Patton Ewing, the Supreme Court today affirmed Garland chancery in vesting title in Mrs. Ewing's niece and nephew, Mattie Sharp and James McEwan, Jr.

Henry C. Norman, another nephew, had sought confirmation of the title in himself.

Affirming Hempstead circuit the high court held that Queen Trotter, Negro woman, must serve a three-year sentence on a robbery conviction for "forcibly seizing" $55 from George Williams during a "coohcan" game at her house in Hope. The record gave this version of the incident:

On the occasion George had won five dollars from Lee Willams. Lee turned to Queen and said "Baby bring me some more money." Instead of accommodating, Queen, according to George, shuffled around in an adjoining room, came out with an automatic and said 'give me fifty'."

Two weeks before George had won fifty dollars in a similar game with Lee. Queen contended that Lee had taken the fifty dollars from her and that recovery of the $55 was merely an act of repossession.

The Supreme Court affirmed Columbia circuit in denying Waldo Fertilizer Works incorporated possession of a 22-foot platform scale attached to a Magnolia store owned by J. H. Dickens.

The company brought a replevin suit attempting to repossess the scales, installed while the late B.A. Warren and the fertilizer company were operating a business at the location. Warren's widow sold the store to C. C. Taylor who in turn sold it to Dickens.

The Supreme Court held that the scales were a part of the "freehold" property and rightfully had passed to the present owner.

DECLINES APPOINTMENT

Camden, Jan. 31 (AP) — Ben Laney, frequently mentioned as a possible gubernatorial candidate, declined a five-year reappointment to the state penal board; he wrote Governor Adkins, because he might become a candidate for a public office — which he did not identify — and did not want to "embarrass" the governor.

Unkindest Cut of All

Lake Charles, La. —(AP)— A complainant in a divorce suit here charged his wife caused him great mental anguish. He said she poured a quart of whisky down the kitchen sink.

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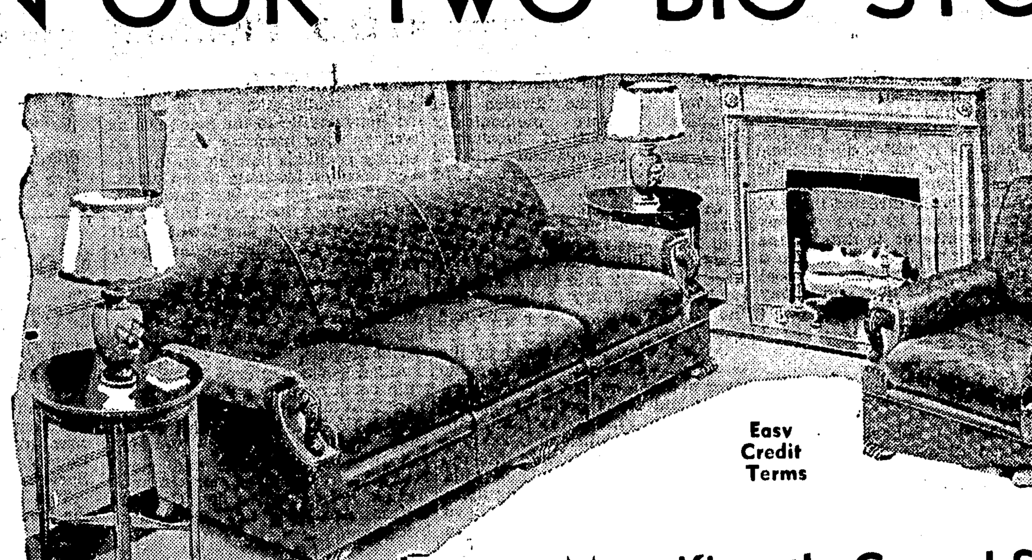

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Social and Personal

Daisy Dorothy Heard, Editor
Phone 768 Between 8 a. m. and 4 p. m.

Social Calendar

...day, February 1st

...s. John Vesey, Nurses Aide ...man, announced a special ...ing of the corps in the council ... of city hall, 7:15 p. m. All ... are urged to attend.

...sday, February 3rd

... initiation ceremony for Hope ...ter, 328, Order of the Eastern ... will be held at the Masonic ... 7:30 p. m.

Coming and Going

...s Nell Louise Broyles of ...erson State Teachers College, ...delphia, spent the weekend ...her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. ...oyles, and other relatives and ...ds.

...s. Hosea Garrett of Gastonia, ... Carolina, accompanied by ... McRae Lemely, who has ... making her home in Augusta, ... arrived this weekend for a ...f visit with relatives and ...nds. She plans to return Wed...y.

...r. and Mrs. Max Cox had as ...eekend guest, Mrs. J. R. Henry ... Dallas.

...Thomas Jobe, USNR, departed ...day for Washington D. C. to ...it his mother, Mrs. Sara Jobe, ...fore reporting to San Diego, ...lif. for assignment.

...Technician Paul Simms, of Fort ...x, N. J. is visiting his parents, ... and Mrs. Paul Simms until ...day when he returns to his ...st in the quartermaster corps.

...Ensign Earl L. Archer, Jr., who ... stationed in the Pacific area ... the Naval Air Corps, flew ...m San Francisco to Hope for a ...eekend visit with his parents, ...r. and Mrs. E. L. Archer.

...Mr. and Mrs. Fred Robertson and Miss Charlie Mae Powell of Washington went to Little Rock yesterday to see Aviation Cadet Clyde Robertson, who is awaiting transferal to Sheppard Field, Texas.

Miss Virdella Cunningham of Memphis arrived Sunday night for a brief visit with Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Ellen.

Fred Goff of Piedmont, Mo. is here for a visit with his sister, Miss Ruby Goff, who is ill at her home, 622 West Division.

Personal Mention

Miss Wanda Lane of Texarkana, formerly of Hope, and Miss Martha Searcy of Lewisville, are among five Henderson State Teachers college coeds to compete for the title of queen in the college yearbook.

Communiques

Cpl. Leo Erwin has arrived in England according to a letter received by Mrs. Erwin, South Walnut street.

Pvt. John Henry Ellen, who has been stationed at the Amarillo, Texas Army Air Base, has been transferred to gunnery school in Las Vegas, Nev.

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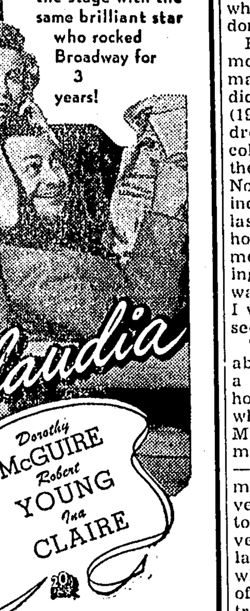

News

RIALTO
— NOW —
Veronica Lake
Paulette Goddard
Claudette Colbert
in
'So Proudly We Hail'
—Starts Tuesday—
Allan Jones
in
'When Johnny Comes Marching Home'
and
'Counter Espionage'

Funeral for Mrs. Lunnon Held Sunday

Funeral services for Mrs. Laura Lunnon, 68, who died in a local hospital Saturday afternoon, were held at the family residence on West 2nd street Sunday afternoon.

She is survived by two daughters, Miss Hazen Lunnon of Hope, and Mrs. Alma Chambers of Collinsville, Okla., three sisters, Mrs. Alice Wilson of Hope, Mrs. D. M. Harris of Nashville, Mrs. O. F. Keith of Amarillo, Texas, two brothers, E. O. Wood of Hope and A. L. Wood of Hugo, Okla., Seven grandchildren and one great grandchild survive.

Burial services were held at Rose Hill cemetery. Active pallbearers were D. M. Harris, Jim Gleghorn, Will Ed Waller, Orville Oglesby, Irwin Gleghorn, Oliver Bright.

Hollywood

By ROBBIN COONS

Hollywood One pump-mistress said, "Yes, we have no more gas for today."

A sign at another filling station said, "Today's allowable sold."

The attendant at a third said jovially, "Better get a horse."

So we got to thinking of more ways not to use gasoline we didn't have, and that led to today's essay, which is on horses which also we don't have.

First horse I remember in the movies was the late Mabel Normand's mount in "Mickey." Mabel did something which at the time (1918) was a novelty, I believe. She dressed up in the missing jockey's colors and rode lickety-split to win the race, the purse, and the man. Now it's a novelty when the heroine doesn't sub for the jockey at the last minute. If anybody tells me the horse Mabel rode was one of those mechanical horses they use for racing close-ups now, I won't listen. It was a grand race in "Mickey" and I won't have it spoiled, not even by seeing the film again.

Though the racertacks hereabouts are inactive, horses still get a big play in pictures. There's a horse in "Buffalo Bill" named Steel which could well steal the picture. Mickey Rooney, who made "Stablemates" with Wallace Berry in 1938 — and the two were anything but matey — will make "National Velvet" from the best-seller. The most touching horse peiture (despite two versions of "Black Beauty") was last year's "My Friend Flicka," which will have a sequel in "Son of Flicka." Starless Night, the trained horse, will be one of the acts in "Sensations of 1944."

Clark Gable once played second fiddle to a horse. It was in a picture called "Sporting Blood" in 1931, before M-G-M understood that Gable was not for horse opera. The greatest horse thrills ever filmed, in my memory, were the chariot race in "Ben Hur," with Ramon Novarro and Francis X. Bushman (or their doubles) at the reins, the cliff leap in "Jesse James," Tyrone Power's double up, and the mass horseplay of "The Charge of the Light Brigade."

Tony, the late Tom Mix's steed, must have been the screen's most famous horse. I always have to look up the names of the horses that go with Gene Autry, Roy Rogers, Ken Maynard, Don Barry, Bill Boyd and others, but "Tom Mix and Tony" made an unforgettable combination.

A real novelty (if anybody were foolish enough to try it) would be a western without a horse.

The dullest horse picture I ever saw (except for the fine white horses) was "Florian," in which Robert Young not only played second fiddle to horses but their groom as well. The horses were almost good enough to atone for the rest, but note quite.

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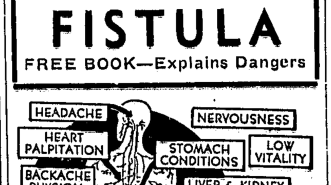

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Famed Editor to Be Buried Today

Emporia, Kas., Jan. 31 —(AP) — Henry J. Haskell, editor of the Kansas City Star, will make the address at the funeral service this afternoonf of William Allen White, noted author and newspaper editor, who deid Saturday at the age of 75.

They had been warm friends since shortly after White resigned as an editorial writer on the Star in 1895 and bought the Emporia Gazette.

Prior to a public service in the College of Emporia Chapel at 4 p. m., there will be a private service in the home at which the Rev. Stephen J. Williams, pastor of the First Congregational Church will read the 23rd Psalm and a passage from First Corinthians.

A Welsh choir will sing the Resurrection Hymn at the graveside in Maplewood Cemetery. Six long-time employes of the Gazette will be pallbearers.

Today in Congress

By The Associated Press

Senate — Resumes soldier vote debate.

Senate and House conferees attempt to reach final agreement on $2,315,800,000 tax bill.

House — Votes on $8,500,000,000 independent offices appropriation bill.

Sports Mirror

By The Associated Press

Today A Year — Alan Ford, Yale freshman, breaks Johnny Weissmuller's 16-year-old 100-yard with 50.7 clocking at the New Haven swimming meet.

Three Years Ago — Joe Louis kayos Red Burman in 2:49 of the fifth round in 13th title defense.

Five Years Ago — Temple names Fred Swam head football coach to succeed Pop Warner.

Deaths Last Night

By The Associated Press

Frank Wilson McKee
Hollywood — Frank Wilson McKee, 76, composer and charter member of the American Society of Composers, Authors and Publishers.

Frederick Nivan
Vancouver — Frederick Niven, 65, author of "Mrs. Barry," and "The Flying Years."

Ladislas Fenyas
New York — Ladislas Fenyas, 74, former member of the Hungarian parliament.

Col. Granville Sevier
Nashville, Tenn. — Col. Granville Sevier, 74, former diplomat and one-time commander of Fort Shafter in Hawaii.

Capital City Teams Head Conference

Little Rock, Jan. 31 (AP)— It is getting to be monotonous but North Little Rock and John Hoffman of Little Rock are playing "keep away" with the team and individual scoring leads in the Arkansas High School conference basketball race.

The Wildcats with five wins and no losses are not even within yelling distance of second place El Dorado which has two wins and a loss. Hoffman, averaging 14 1-2 points a game, has a total of 73—eight more than Bob Yates of North Little Rock.

The Wildcats meet fifth place Pine Bluff on the North Side Friday while Little Rock goes to Hot Springs.

Gideon Planish by Sinclair Lewis

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CHAPTER XXV

WHEYFISH and Planish had the triumph of adding to their national board of directors no less a derivative power than Maj. Harold Homeward, the son-in-law of Col. Charles B. Marduc and legal husband of Marduc's daughter, who was known to all Intellectuals as "Talking Winifred."

Peony demanded of the Doctor, "I hear this Major Homeward that you've got hold of is a regular polo-hound. You got to buy him for me. You meet all these big-money boys, but what about me?"

"Dearie, some day you'll be really meeting Colonel Marduc himself, right at his own home, maybe, if you'll be patient and give me time."

"Yes, that'd be wonderful, and I do believe you might pull it off."

"I'm not going to work for Soapy Ernie in that factory forever. I want an organization of my own."

"That's the dope," said Mrs. Planish.

"Somehow," said Dr. Planish, "I have a hunch about Marduc."

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COL. CHARLES B. MARDUC was a military man as well as an advertising agent and an owner of magazines. He had been a fighting major in World War I, then a colonel in the New York National Guard. In 1937, he was 55, and a fine, upstanding, silver-and-cherry buck.

He admired Napoleon and General Franco of Spain. Out of liquor, he talked about being liberal; but in it, he talked about being a Strong Man.

He was the president of Marduc, Syco & Sagg — formerly Marduc & Syco—who had been pioneers, more likely military strategists, really, in both radio advertising and scientific research into retail markets — a Service given strictly free to customers. They had been the first to broadcast the song of the English skylark—sponsors, the King David Matzos Makers; and the first to let the radio world (far-flung) hear the cry of a just-born baby, in promotion of Vitaminized Vermont Flapjack Flour.

He was a publisher as well as an advertising man, and the chief owner of the *Zinc Trades Monitor*, the *Housewife's Monthly Budget*, the *Installment Plan Dealers' Trade Tips*, and of that popular journal *Lowdown*.

He was also a vestryman of St. Cunegonde's Protestant Episcopal Church, and for years he had longed and plotted to become President of the United States.

He honestly felt that he had to become President, to save the country from sliding down through New Deal Socialism into anarchy. Once, at lunch, he firmly told his brilliant daughter, Winifred Marduc Homeward, "Without any special pleasure in it, I can see that I have the best mind in the country."

There was only one thing that kept him from springing into a flaming sea of publicity, of dinners and tours and photographs and interviews, and thus swimming to the Presidency and saving democracy for the common people. That was the fact that he couldn't endure the touch of the common people. He felt that they were all fools and all noisy and all smelly. It had kept him out of any race for the State Legislature, the national Congress.

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HIS wife must still have been alive in 1937, but nobody could quite remember. She was important only as having contributed to the dynasty the Colonel's daughter, Winifred, and she had been broken-hearted and sweetly mute for so long now that nobody noticed it any more.

But Winifred, Winifred Marduc Homeward, that was something else; that was a woman, *the* woman, the American woman careerist, and it is a reasonable bet that in 1955 she will be dictator of the United States and China.

Winifred Homeward the Talking Woman.

She was an automatic, self-starting talker. Any throng of more than two persons constituted a lecture audience for her, and at sight of them she mounted an imaginary platform, pushed aside an imaginary glass of ice water, and started a fervent address full of imaginary information about Conditions and Situations that lasted till the audience had sneaked out—or a little longer.

Winifred was as handsome as a horse, a portly young presence with a voice that smothered you under a blanket of molasses and brimstone. She was just under thirty in 1937, but she had the wisdom of Astarte and the punch of Joe Louis, and her eyelids were a little weary.

Her husband was Maj. Harold Homeward, who had got his title by being a first lieutenant in the paymaster corps in World War I. He was a handsome, high-colored man, a dancing man but a surprisingly good accountant, with an eye for interesting writing, and useful about the Marduc magazines.

They had no children.

Her one humility was toward her father, and it may have been due more to her demands than to his own that he was so often considered, in editorial offices and bars, as a possible President, who would look handsome at that starry and eagle-pinioned desk while Winifred merely ran the country.

When Winifred and the Colonel were together, she talked so much about his virtues that he had no chance to talk about them himself.

Besides being on the boards of twenty-seven different welfare organizations, serving as a Republican Committeewoman, and speaking publicly on an average of three times a week on all the Causes in which she believed—and they included every Cause that any active women's-college graduate possibly could believe in, during the years 1930-1950—Winifred Marduc Homeward was the editor of that feminist and liberal weekly *Attention!*, of which her father was the actual owner —or donor—and her husband the titular publisher.

The complicated and slightly hysterical ideology of *Attention!* may be formulated as a belief that the offices of President, editor of the New York Herald-Times, head of a united University of Columbia and California, and the official dismisser of all distasteful conclusions of the Gallup Poll, should be combined and held by a person whose description resembled that of Winifred Homeward.

And though *Attention!* had been published, and Colonel Marduc had been highly public, during the year 1936, when Franco's revolution began in Spain and Zinovieff and Kameneff had been shot in Russia, neither Winifred nor the Colonel had taken a more belligerent stand on these matters than to say, with affecting earnestness, "One must not come to hasty conclusions on affairs so complicated and so uncandidly reported."

That was the reigning family —Colonel Marduc and Winifred and their illegitimate offspring, Major Homeward—to whose golden company the Planishes had long aspired.

(To Be Continued)

U.S. Planning Pitiless Peace for Japan

Washington, Jan. 31 —(AP) —The American government's determination to impose a just but pitiless peace on Japan has been strengthened and hardened by the enemy's ruthless treatment of prisoners, it was learned today, and some ranking authorities are advocating a three-point program to strip the Japanese of their economic ability ever to make war again.

The main points of this program are:

1. Deprive the Japanese of all heavy industries which can be readily converted to muntions production.

2. Permit them to operate no merchant marine or commercial air fleets and to possess no ships larger than 1,000 tons capacity. This would limit their seafaring activities to fishing and small-scale trading.

3. Allow them to engage fully in the farming necessary to support their population.

Beyond these purely economic measures lie, of course, the post-war measure regarding Japan on which the United States has already agreed with its Allies in the Pacific and Asia. These are to strip the Japs oft their whole empire of conquest built up through half a century of aggression and to punish war criminals such as those military officials responsible for the atrocities inflicted on American prisoners in the Philippines.

In addition there is a belief in naval circles that the United States should have control of the Bonin islands or islands in that area for naval base use so long as this country is committed to help maintain the peace in that part of the world. The Bonins lie in a chain running south from Japan to Guam. The Guam-Bonin line is the base of Japanese strategic dispositions in the Pacific.

In talking now of measures necessary to keep Japan from embarking on new aggressions in the years to come, military men stressed the war in the Pacific still has a long way to go. Yet they feel that as the American people learn more of the nature of the enemy they are fighting they should also give consideration to the treatment of that enemy when he is defeated.

Release of information on the Philippine atrocities was but one step in giving out factual, documented stories of the suffering the Japanese have caused among groups of helpless people in their power. The stories have begun to come out in volume now largely because a majority of experts on Japan within the government finally agreed the situation of prisoners it could hardly be worse and might eventually be improved by the force of outraged public opinion.

Even the ruthless leaders now in control of the Japanese government may be swayed by this opinion, some experts feel, if they believe that by better treatment they may prevent the imposition of harsher pace terms than those already planned by the Allies.

But any peace short of unconditional surrender, American leaders fear, will leave Nippon in position to rearm and strike again.

TWO FLIERS KILLED

Newport, Jan. 31 (AP)— Lt. John E. Wentworth, 26, Brighton, Me., and Lt. Paul S. Hayward, 38, Floral Park, N. Y., were killed Saturday when a basic training plane crashed at the army air field here.

COMMENT IS ASKED

Little Rock, Jan. 31 (AP) If you don't like the plastic 1944 license plate you have on your car, Revenue Commissioner M. B. McLeod wants to know about it. He said some garage men had expressed a preference for it over the old metal type.

Labor Groups Getting Set for Elections

Washington, Jan. 31 (AP)—Organized labor poses one of the biggest question marks in this year's political campaign.

With the CIO political action committee in the vanguard, members of labor unions from Oregon to Florida are bestirring themselves in a "turn out the vote" drive that may produce some surprising results.

The CIO committee, reputedly well heeled financially, is going out openly after the scalps of congressmen and senators who voted for the Smith - Connally anti - strike law and for other labor regulatory measures.

Its activities already have come under fire from Rep. Smith (D-Va), who demanded and got the promise of a justice department investigation into Smith's charge that the committee was violating provisions of the Smith- Connally Act against union participation in political campaigns. The Dies Committee on un-American affairs also has projected an investigation of the CIO group.

While 2,500 New York CIO members recently endorsed a fourth term for President Roosevelt, a country-wide survey by the Associated Press indicated organized labor is even more interested in local issues in many localities.

In Florida, for instance, the unions, swollen in membership by shipyard and other defense workers, are organized to fight a proposed constitutional amendment to outlaw the closed show in that state.

The campaign for that amendment, which would preserve labor's right to organize and bargain collectively but would prohibit the closed shop, is being led by Attorney General Tom Watson, running for re-election. Watson contends many workers who have been forced to join unions to hold defense jobs favor it.

In California the AFL and CIO are concentrating on registration of the estimated 50,000 workers who have been drawn into the state by war industries and on getting them to the polls. What effect this additional vote will have in a pivotal presidential state is anybody's guess.

The Pacific Northwest has had the same kind of influx of labor into war industries, but in some other states, such as New Mexico, the situation is reversed. The New Mexico vote is expected to be very light, since many of its citizens are in the armed forces and others have gone farther west to the war plants.

Texas, ordinarily considered an "unorganized" state, is witnessing a union drive to register workers and to get them to pay their poll tax.

In Maryland, labor is fighting a law which requires a voter to state his intention of becoming a citizen of the state at least a year before the election, a provision the unions say will disqualify many war workers.

Colorado furnishes another slant on the puzzle. Some war production has been curtailed in that state, notably the elimination of one eight-hour shift daily at the Denver ordnance plant. The politicians are wondering what will be the political reaction of workers who have been laid off and who may have to travel some distance to find other jobs.

And in the highly industrial New England and Missle Atlantic states, workers, who are unionized to a marked degree in these areas, are actively seeking to make their influence felt in the campaigns.

All of these questions have the leaders of both major parties guessing and they are not likely to know the correct answers until next November 7.

May Name Spiva New Spa Constable

Little Rock, Jan. 31 (AP) —John Spiva, former Hot Spring county game refuge supervisor, probably will be offered the appointment of constable at Hot Springs to succeed the late John Young, the governor's office said in announcing that Arthur Jefferson, Hot Springs Burial Association operator, had declined the appointment.

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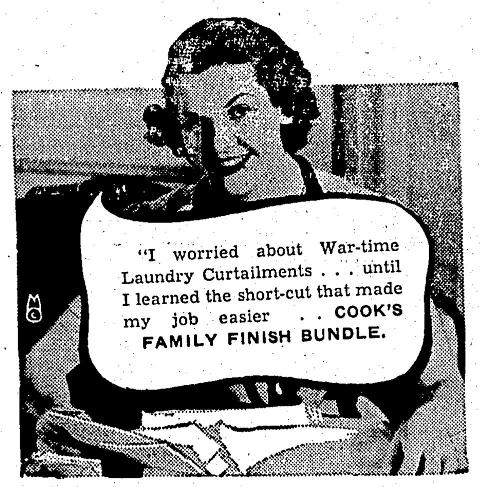

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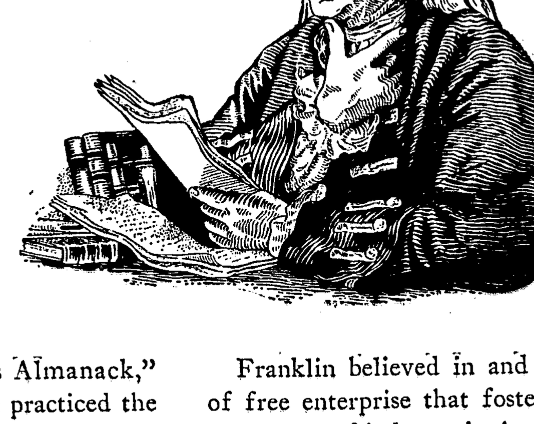

January is the birth month of Benjamin Franklin, famed as a journalist, diplomat, philosopher and inventor, and one of the first Americans to foster the doctrine of thrift.

AS PUBLISHER of "Poor Richard's Almanack," Benjamin Franklin preached as well as practiced the principle of thrift, and through his teachings and example impressed on the consciousness of America forever the virtue of economy.

In 1737 Franklin invented an "open stove for the better heating of rooms, and at the same time fuel saving," thus symbolizing his love of comfort and good living and his philosophy of thrift.

Franklin believed in and advocated the principle of free enterprise that fostered the growth and development of industry in America, such as that which has brought the comfort and convenience of natural gas to the humblest home. He encouraged the type of management that husbanded the country's resources and made them available, at lowest possible cost, to the people.

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Hitler's Speech Seen As Cry for Help Against Reds

Analysis of the News by Mackenzie

Editorial Comment Written Today and Moved by Telegraph or Cable.

By DeWITT MacKENZIE
Associated Press War Analyst

Hitler's speech yesterday, on the eleventh anniversary of Nazi rule, was one of the strange developments of the war, for it was in its essence the desperate cry of a beaten and terrified man for aid from the Anglo-American Allies to save him from the vengeance of the Red armies.

Success of his scheme, of course, would mean the causing of a rupture among the Big Three and in an effort to put his appeal across he once more prophesied dire things from Bolshevism. America and England, he warned, were menaced.

"From this fight (the European struggle) there can emerge only one victor and this will be either Germany or Soviet Russia," he declared. "German victory means preservation of Europe, and a Soviet victory Europe's annihilation."

Britain, he said, already had lost her position on the continent. Then he dropped his block-buster, which he hoped would create panic among the Anglo-American peoples:

"The question confronting both England and the United State hence no longer is whether they want or are able after this war to fight Bolshevism but whether they will be able to defend themselves against Bolshevism in their own countries."

That was, I take it, more than an attempt to sow discord among the Big Three. In effect it suggested German-British-American collaboration to smash our Soviet ally. The master gangster has reached the point where he undoubtedly would make any sort of bargain with the Anglo-American pair to defeat the Russians. Short of that preposterous suggestion, any kind of split among the Allies would give the wavering Reich a shot in the arm.

Hitler is scared, and with reason. Even as he spoke, American warplanes were dumping an awful freight of destruction on the airplane factories of Brunswick and the great rail center of Hanover. And the Royal Air Force gave the Fuehrer his direct answer last night when a great fleet of heavy bombers again attacked stricken Berlin, to emphasize the Allied determination to destroy this capital of the most evil government the modern world has known — barring the Japanese.

During these assaults the Allies shot down 91 of Hitler's precious warplanes, and the Anglo-American air forces in Italy destroyed some 63 more. Thus again was demonstrated the aerial superiority which is blazing the way to the destruction of Nazidom.

Meanwhile the Red Army the Fuehrer fears so much continued to rip into his battle line and move steadily forward toward the borders of the Reich over the bodies of countless German youth.

Annihilation continued to be the Red slogan. As I pointed out recently, apparently few prisoners are being taken. It's war to the death between the avenging Russians and the Nazis who murdered and plundered and destroyed their way through Soviet territory.

No wonder Hitler the Hun is frightened, but he chose a particularly inopportune moment to try to win Allied support or cause a rupture. Both America and England have been aroused to utterfury by the disclosure of the barbaric atrocities on American, British and Filipino prisoners of war by his barbaric Jap allies. We have full proof that Nazidom is no less savage, though possibly not quite so sadistically crude in its tortures. We're not helping preserve Hitler's "civilization" for Europe.

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Rangers Rout Germans in Tough Battle

By reynolds packard
Representing the Combined American Press
(Distributed by the Associated Press)

With American Rangers in the Field Below Rome, Jan. 30 (Delayed) — The toughest fighting today was done by American Rangers who smacked the enemy back in two different places from behind two American tank destroyers on one of Mussolini's so-called model farm communities and pushed forward leaving only smoking rubble.

The tank destroyers from which I was watching the fight gave direct support, firing at haystacks and farm houses and scoring direct hits.

The Germans had barricaded themselves in this rural cross-roads community, using silos as pillboxes. In every house were snipers and machinegun nests and they covered the streets through which the Rangers were marching with a criss-cross fire.

I could see the Rangers taking a few houses at a time, then firing from the windows and lobbing hand grenades ahead at the next house.

The tank destroyers also smashed shells into the houses just 30 yards ahead of the Rangers. It was close timing. The Germans brought up self-propelled guns and tanks and used mortars also.

I saw batches of prisoners being taken by the Rangers.

Two tank destroyers, "The Bums Rush" and "The Beear Barrel," were under the command of Lt. Charles R Bell, of St. Louis, Mo.

"Boy," he said, "are those Rangers giving them hell! Let's give them some more help."

And both tank destroyers would let loose in unison with others scattered across the field.

Later when the fight was ended I reached this settlement and saw the havoc the Rangers, tanks and tank destroyers had done. There were dead Germans spilled out of the houses where they had been under cover or blown from behind chimney pots where they had been sniping.

Houses, haystacks and barns were burning and the ground, peppered with shells from both sides, was like a giant nutmeg grater.

Despite the rough going on the front — I received the heaviest shelling I have yet encountered on this beachhead, being pinned down several times in wet drainage ditches forming part of Mussolini's reclaimed farmland — I had the best meal since landing."

It was cooked in no-man's land by Sgt. Mark Sperlock, of Lima, Ohio, and Sgt. Michael Latuff, of St. Paul, Minn.

Both were from a huge tank retriever in which they had just pulled in one of our tanks that had been hit. While waiting orders to retrieve more tanks they were trying a chicken they had brought for a dollar from the inevitable Italian farmer in no-man's land.

Sperlock said "he was peddling chickens to the tanks while they still were firing."

Latuff said between nibbles of a big drumstick that "this old hen should have been parboiled, but, anyway it's not too bad fried, especially with all this shelling going on around us. Help yourself to some more."

I did.

PLAN CAP TRAINING UNITS

Little Rock, Jan. 31 —(AP)— The Civil Air Patrol squadrons at Pine Bluff, Conway and Jonesboro will open CAP cadet training units immediately and cadet units of all other squadrons will be enlarged to take care of some 750 additional cadet enlistees needed to fill the state's 1,200 goal for 1944, Lt. Col. Rex P. Hayes, state wing commander announced.

There are more than 500 islands in the Caroline Islands group.

Legal Notice

NOTICE OF SALE

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned mortgagee in a mortgage executed by Harvey Henry to the United States on the 15th day of March, 1943, and duly filed in the office of the Recorder in and for Nevada County, Arkansas; the said Harvey Henry having waived all rights of appraisement, sale and redemption under the laws of the State of Arkansas; pursuant to the powers granted under the terms of the aforementioned mortgage, and by the laws of the State of Arkansas, will on the 1st day of February, 1944, between the hours of 9 o'clock in the forenoon and 5 o'clock in the afternoon of said date, at Sutton Sale Barn in the County of Hempstead, State of Arkansas, offer for sale to the highest and best bidder for cash, the following described property, to-wit: 1 Jersey cow, Jersey, 600 lbs., 4; 1 red cow, Red, 600 lbs., 15; 1 gray horse mule, Sid, 1100 lbs., 13; 1 bay mare mule, Queen, 900 lbs., 7; 1 double shovel, without handles; 1 middle buster without wings and handles; 1 Ga. Stock; 1 Avery turning plow.

Witness my hand this the 27th day of January, 1944.

United States of America,
By W. M. SPARKS,
County Supervisor.

Jan. 31, 1944.

Market Report

ST. LOUIS LIVESTOCK

National Stockyards, Ill., Jan. 31 —(AP)— Hogs, 27,000; fairly active; 180 lbs up mostly steady with Friday; lighter weights 10-15 lower; sows 20-25 lower top and bulk good and choice 200-330 lbs 13.70; heavier weights scarce; 170-190 lbs 13 10-65; 140-160 lbs 11.90-13.00; 120-140 lbs 10.90-12.00; 100-120 lbs 8.50-11.00; thin light pigs down to 6.00 bulk good sows 11.75, few at 11.8; fairly good clearance now indicated.

Cattle 5,000; calves 1,000; moderately active inquiry on liberal supply of cattle; opening sales fully steady on all classes; few good steers 14.50-15.25; medium and good heifers and mixed yearlings 11.00-13.50; common and medium beef cows 8.50-10.75, a few to 12.00; beef bulls up to 12 00; top sausage bulls 11.25; good and choice vealers 15.25 medium and good 12.75 and 14.00; nominal range slaughter steers 9.50-16.50; slaughter heifers 9.00-15.50; stocker and feeder steers 8.00-13.00.

Sheep 1,500, steady; good and choice wooled lambs to all interests 15.50-16.25; medium and good 13.50-15.00; common throwouts 10.50-11.50; wooled ewes quotable at 7.50 down.

NEW ORLEANS COTTON

New Orleans, Jan. 31 (AP) — Long realizing and hedge selling erased early advances in cotton futures here today and the market closed steady 10 cents a bale lower to 5 cents higher.

Mch high 20.43 — low 20.34 — close 20.34 unchanged
May high 20.16 — low 20.08 — close 20.08 up 1
Jly high 19.82 — low 19.73 — close 19.73 unchanged
Oct high 19.28 — low 19.18 — close 19.18-20 off 2
Dec high 19.11 — low 19.07 — close 19.00B off 2
B-bid.

Spot cotton closed steady and unchanged. Sales 3,322, low middling 16.81, middling 20.21, 20.21, good middling 20.61, receipts 1,1-525, stock 166,808.

NEW YORK COTTON

New York, Jan. 31 —(AP)—A last minute flurry of hedge selling and profit taking halted advancing tendencies in cotton after advancing 40 cents a bale.

Final prices were 10 cents a bale lower to 10 cents higher.

Mch high 20.29 — low 20.19 — last 20.19-20 off 2
May high 19.98 — low 19.89 — last 19.90 up 2
Jly high 19.62 — low 19.55 — last 19.56-57 up 2
Oct high 19.24 — low 19.15 — last 19.15 off 1
Dec high 19.07 — low 18.97 — last 18.97 off 2
Middling spot 21.04N off 2
N-nominal.

GRAIN AND PROVISIONS

Chicago, Jan. 31 (AP)— Grains weakened toward the close today when buying power dried up and it appeared fairly large offerings were hanging over the market. Rye, which had been up about a cent at one time, backed down quickly and other grains followed. Selling in wheat came from houses with southwestern connections.

At the close wheat was unchanged to 1-4 lower, May $1.71 3-4 1—5-8, oats were up 1-8—1-2, May 80 3-8—1-2, rye was 5-8—7-8 higher, May $1.32 58—3-4, and barley was unchanged, September $1.19 18. There was no trading in May or July barley.

NEW YORK STOCKS

New York, Jan. 31 — (AP) — A smattering of steels, rails and specialties made headway in today's concluding January stock market but many leaders were at a standstill or a trifle lower.

From the start price changes generally were small either way. Near-closing trends were notably foggy although steels picked up at the last. Transfers for the full proceedings were around 600,000 shares.

POULTRY AND PRODUCE

Chicago, Jan. 31 —(AP)— Poultry, live, firm; 3 cars, 9 trucks; hens 23; leghorn hens 24; colored broilers, fryers, springs 27 1-2 rocks, broilers, fryers, springs 27 1-2 leghorn chickens 26 1-2; roosters 20; ducks 25 geese 25 turkeys 29 to 35.

NEW YORK COTTON

New York, Jan. 31 (AP).—Cotton futures advanced for the fourth consecutive session and carried the March contract to the highest price since last summer.

Trade demand was spurred by expected government purchases in the open market and a further tightening in the spot situation.

Late afternoon values were 35 to 40 cents a bale higher, March 20.28, May 19.96, July 19.61.

U. S. farm income for 1943 was estimated at $19,000,000,000, compared with $4,743,000,000 in 1932.

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Hope Negro Must Serve Three Years

Little Rock, Jan. 31 (AP)— In a suit involving a piece of Garland county real estate formerly owned by the late Mrs. Matton Patton Ewing, the Supreme Court today affirmed Garland chancery in vesting title in Mrs. Ewing's niece and nephew, Mattie Sharp and James McEwan, Jr.

Henry C. Norman, another nephew, had sought confirmation of the title in himself.

Affirming Hempstead circuit the high court held that Queen Trotter, Negro woman, must serve a three-year sentence on a robbery conviction for "forcibly seizing" $55 from George Williams during a "cooh-can" game at her house in Hope. The record gave this version of the incident:

On the occasion George had won five dollars from Lee Willams. Lee turned to Queen and said "Baby bring me some more money." Instead of accommodating, Queen, according to George, shuffled around in an adjoining room, came out with an automatic and said 'give me fifty'."

Two weeks before George had won fifty dollars in a similar game with Lee. Queen contended that Lee had taken the fifty dollars from her and that recovery of the $55 was merely an act of repossession.

The Supreme Court affirmed Columbia circuit in denying Waldo Fertilizer Works incorporated possession of a 22-foot platform scale attached to a Magnolia store owned by J. H. Dickens.

The company brought a replevin suit attempting to repossess the scales, installed while the late B.A. Warren and the fertilizer company were operating a business at the location. Warren's widow sold the store to C. C. Taylor who in turn sold it to Dickens.

The Supreme Court held that the scales were a part of the "freehold" property and rightfully had passed to the present owner.

DECLINES APPOINTMENT

Camden, Jan. 31 (AP) — Ben Laney, frequently mentioned as a possible gubernatorial candidate, declined a five-year reappointment to the state penal board, he wrote Governor Adkins, because he might become a candidate for a public office — which he did not identify — and did not want to "embarrass" the governor.

Unkindest Cut of All

Lake Charles, La. —(AP)— A complainant in a divorce suit here charged his wife caused him great mental anguish. He said she poured a quart of whisky down the kitchen sink.

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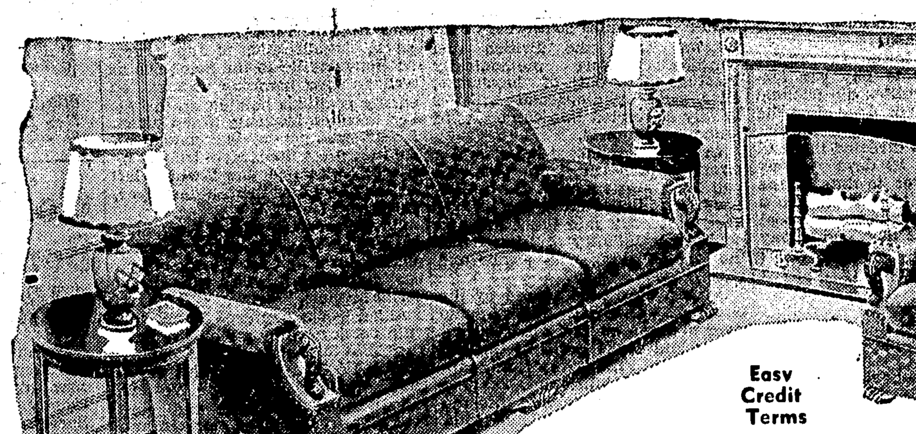

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Social and Personal

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Social Calendar

...day, February 1st
...s. John Vesey, Nurses Aide ...man, announced a special ...ing of the corps in the council ... of city hall, 7:15 p. m. All ...s are urged to attend.

...sday, February 3rd
...initiation ceremony for Hope ...ter, 328, Order of the Eastern ... will be held at the Masonic ... 7:30 p. m.

Coming and Going

...s Nell Louise Broyles of ...rson State Teachers College, ...delphia, spent the weekend ... her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. ...oyles, and other relatives and ...ds.

...s. Hosea Garrett of Gastonia, ... Carolina, accompanied by ... McRae Lemely, who has ... making her home in Augusta, ... arrived this weekend for a ...f visit with relatives and ...nds. She plans to return Wed...y.

...r. and Mrs. Max Cox had as ...eekend guest, Mrs. J. R. Henry ... Dallas.

...Thomas Jobe, USNR, departed ...day for Washington D. C. to ...it his mother, Mrs. Sara Jobe, ...fore reporting to San Diego, ...lif. for assignment.

...Technician Paul Simms, of Fort ...x, N. J. is visiting his parents, ... and Mrs. Paul Simms until ...iday when he returns to his ...st in the quartermaster corps.

...Ensign Earl L. Archer, Jr., who ... stationed in the Pacific area ... the Naval Air Corps, flew ...om San Francisco to Hope for a ...eekend visit with his parents, ...r. and Mrs. E. L. Archer.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Robertson and Miss Charlie Mae Powell of Washington went to Little Rock yesterday to see Aviation Cadet Clyde Robertson, who is awaiting transferal to Sheppard Field, Texas.

Miss Virdella Cunningham of Memphis arrived Sunday night for a brief visit with Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Ellen.

Fred Goff of Piedmont, Mo. is here for a visit with his sister, Miss Ruby Goff, who is ill at her home, 622 West Division.

Personal Mention

Miss Wanda Lane of Texarkana, formerly of Hope, and Miss Martha Searcy of Lewisville, are among five Henderson State Teachers college coeds to compete for the title of queen in the college yearbook.

Communiques

Cpl. Leo Erwin has arrived in England according to a letter received by Mrs. Erwin, South Walnut street.

Pvt. John Henry Ellen, who has been stationed at the Amarillo, Texas Army Air Base, has been transferred to gunnery school in Las Vegas, Nev.

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'When Johnny Comes Marching Home'
and
'Counter Espionage'

Funeral for Mrs. Lunnon Held Sunday

Funeral services for Mrs. Laura Lunnon, 68, who died in a local hospital Saturday afternoon, were held at the family residence on West 2nd street Sunday afternoon.

She is survived by two daughters, Miss Hazen Lunnon of Hope, and Mrs. Alma Chambers of Collinsville, Okla., three sisters, Mrs. Alice Wilson of Hope, Mrs. D. M. Harris of Nashville, Mrs. O. F. Keith of Amarillo, Texas, two brothers, E. O. Wood of Hope and A. L. Wood of Hugo, Okla., Seven grandchildren and one great grandchild survive.

Burial services were held at Rose Hill cemetery. Active pallbearers were D. M. Harris, Jim Gleghorn, Will Ed Waller, Orville Oglesby, Irwin Gleghorn, Oliver Bright.

Hollywood

By ROBBIN COONS

Hollywood One pump-mistress said, "Yes, we have no more gas for today."

A sign at another filling station said, "Today's allowable sold."

The attendant at a third said jovially, "Better get a horse."

So we got to thinking of more ways not to use gasoline we didn't have, and that led to today's essay, which is on horses which also we don't have.

First horse I remember in the movies was the late Mabel Normand's mount in "Mickey." Mabel did something which at the time (1918) was a novelty, I believe. She dressed up in the missing jockey's colors and rode lickety-split to win the race, the purse, and the man. Now it's a novelty when the heroine doesn't sub for the jockey at the last minute. If anybody tells me the horse Mabel rode was one of those mechanical horses they use for racing close-ups now, I won't listen. It was a grand race in "Mickey" and I won't have it spoiled, not even by seeing the film again.

Though the racertacks hereabouts are inactive, horses still get a big play in pictures. There's a horse in "Buffalo Bill" named Steel which could well steal the picture. Mickey Rooney, who made "Stablemates" with Wallace Berry in 1938 — and the two were anything but matey — will make "National Velvet" from the best-seller. The most touching horse peiture (despite two versions of "Black Beauty") was last year's "My Friend Flicka," which will have a sequel in "Son of Flicka." Starless Night, the trained horse, will be one of the acts in "Sensations of 1944."

Clark Gable once played second fiddle to a horse. It was in a picture called "Sporting Blood" in 1931, before M-G-M understood that Gable was not for horse opera. The greatest horse thrills ever filmed, in my memory, were the chariot race in "Ben Hur," with Ramon Novarro and Francis X. Bushman (or their doubles) at the reins, the cliff leap in "Jesse James," Tyrone Power's double up, and the mass horseplay of "The Charge of the Light Brigade."

Tony, the late Tom Mix's steed, must have been the screen's most famous horse. I always have to look up the names of the horses that go with Gene Autry, Roy Rogers, Ken Maynard, Don Barry, Bill Boyd and others, but "Tom Mix and Tony" made an unforgettable combination.

A real novelty (if anybody were foolish enough to try it) would be a western without a horse.

The dullest horse picture I ever saw (except for the fine white horses) was "Florian," in which Robert Young not only played second fiddle to horses but their groom as well. The horses were almost good enough to atone for the rest, but note quite.

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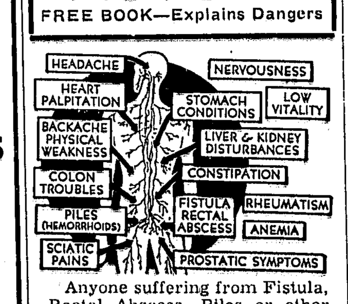

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Meat, Cheese, Butter and Fats:

December 26 — First day for brown stamp R in Book 3.

Special—Spare stamp No. 2 in War Ration Book No. 4 good for five points for fresh pork and all sausage, through January 15.

January 2—First day for brown stamp S in Book 3.

January 9—First day for brown stamp T in Book 3.

January 16 — First day for brown stamp U in Book 3.

January 23 — First day for brown stamp V in Book 3.

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January 15—Last day for sugar stamp No. 29, Book 4.

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January 21—Last day for No. 9 coupons in A Ration Book.

Two pounds of waste cooking fats will produce enough glycerine required to fire five 37 mm. anti-tank shells. Save waste fat.

Famed Editor to Be Buried Today

Emporia, Kas., Jan. 31 —(AP) — Henry J. Haskell, editor of the Kansas City Star, will make the address at the funeral service this afternoonf of William Allen White, noted author and newspaper editor, who deid Saturday at the age of 75.

They had been warm friends since shortly after White resigned as an editorial writer on the Star in 1895 and bought the Emporia Gazette.

Prior to a public service in the College of Emporia Chapel at 4 p. m., there will be a private service in the home at which the Rev. Stephen J. Williams, pastor of the First Congregational Church will read the 23rd Psalm and a passage from First Corinthians.

A Welsh choir will sing the Resurrection Hymn at the graveside in Maplewood Cemetery. Six longtime employes of the Gazette will be pallbearers.

Today in Congress

By The Associated Press

Senate — Resumes soldier vote debate.

Senate and House conferees attempt to reach final agreement on $2,315,800,000 tax bill.

House — Votes on $8,500,000,000 independent offices appropriation bill.

Sports Mirror

By The Associated Press

Today A Year — Alan Ford, Yale freshman, breaks Johnny Weissmuller's 16-year-old 100-yard with 50.7 clocking at the New Haven swimming meet.

Three Years Ago — Joe Louis kayos Red Burman in 2:49 of the fifth round in 13th title defense.

Five Years Ago — Temple names Fred Swam head football coach to succeed Pop Warner.

Deaths Last Night

By The Associated Press

Frank Wilson McKee

Hollywood — Frank Wilson McKee, 76, composer and charter member of the American Society of Composers, Authors and Publishers.

Frederick Nivan

Vancouver — Frederick Niven, 65, author of "Mrs. Barry," and "The Flying Years."

Ladislas Fenyas

New York — Ladislas Fenyas, 74, former member of the Hungarian parliament.

Col. Granville Sevier

Nashville, Tenn. — Col. Granville Sevier, 74, former diplomat and one-time commander of Fort Shafter in Hawaii.

Capital City Teams Head Conference

Little Rock, Jan. 31 (AP)— It is getting to be monotonous but North Little Rock and John Hoffman of Little Rock are playing "keep away" with the team and individual scoring leads in the Arkansas High School conference basketball race.

The Wildcats with five wins and no losses are not even within yelling distance of second place El Dorado which has two wins and a loss. Hoffman, averaging 14 1-2 points a game, has a total of 73—eight more than Bob Yates of North Little Rock.

The Wildcats meet fifth place Pine Bluff on the North Side Friday while Little Rock goes to Hot Springs.

Gideon Planish by Sinclair Lewis

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CHAPTER XXV

WHEYFISH and Planish had the triumph of adding to their national board of directors no less a derivative power than Maj. Harold Homeward, the son-in-law of Col. Charles B. Marduc and legal husband of Marduc's daughter, who was known to all Intellectuals as "Talking Winifred."

Peony demanded of the Doctor, "I hear this Major Homeward that you've got hold of is a regular polo-hound. You got to buy him for me. You meet all these big-money boys, but what about me?"

"Dearie, some day you'll be really meeting Colonel Marduc himself, right at his own home, maybe, if you'll be patient and give me time."

"Yes, that'd be wonderful, and I do believe you might pull it off."

"I'm not going to work for Soapy Ernie in that factory forever. I want an organization of my own."

"That's the dope," said Mrs. Planish.

"Somehow," said Dr. Planish, "I have a hunch about Marduc."

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COL. CHARLES B. MARDUC was a military man as well as an advertising agent and an owner of magazines. He had been a fighting major in World War I; then a colonel in the New York National Guard. In 1937, he was 55, and a fine, upstanding, silver-and-cherry buck.

He admired Napoleon and General Franco of Spain. Out of liquor, he talked about being liberal; but in it, he talked about being a Strong Man.

He was the president of Marduc, Syco & Sagg — formerly Marduc & Syco—who had been pioneers, more likely military strategists, really, in both radio advertising and scientific research into retail markets — a Service given strictly free to customers. They had been the first to broadcast the song of the English skylark—sponsors, the King David Matzos Makers; and the first to let the radio world (far-flung) hear the cry of a just-born baby, in promotion of Vitaminized Vermont Flapjack Flour.

He was a publisher as well as an advertising man, and the chief owner of the *Zinc Trades Monitor*, the *Housewife's Monthly Budget*, the *Installment Plan Dealers' Trade Tips*, and of that popular journal *Lowdown*.

He was also a vestryman of St. Cunegonde's Protestant Episcopal Church, and for years he had longed and plotted to become President of the United States.

He honestly felt that he had to become President, to save the country from sliding down through New Deal Socialism into anarchy. Once, at lunch, he firmly told his brilliant daughter, Winifred Marduc Homeward, "Without any special pleasure in it, I can see that I have the best mind in the country."

There was only one thing that kept him from springing into a flaming sea of publicity, of dinners and tours and photographs and interviews, and thus swimming to the Presidency and saving democracy for the common people. That was the fact that he couldn't endure the touch of the common people. He felt that they were all fools and all noisy and all smelly. It had kept him out of any race for the State Legislature, the national Congress.

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HIS wife must still have been alive in 1937, but nobody could quite remember. She was important only as having contributed to the dynasty the Colonel's daughter, Winifred, and she had been broken-hearted and sweetly mute for so long now that nobody noticed it any more.

But Winifred, Winifred Marduc Homeward, that was something else; that was a woman, *the* woman, the American woman careerist, and it is a reasonable bet that in 1955 she will be dictator of the United States and China.

Winifred Homeward the Talking Woman.

She was an automatic, self-starting talker. Any throng of more than two persons constituted a lecture audience for her, and at sight of them she mounted an imaginary platform, pushed aside an imaginary glass of ice water, and started a fervent address full of imaginary information about Conditions and Situations that lasted till the audience had sneaked out—or a little longer.

Winifred was as handsome as a horse, a portly young presence with a voice that smothered you under a blanket of molasses and brimstone. She was just under thirty in 1937, but she had the wisdom of Astarte and the punch of Joe Louis, and her eyelids were a little weary.

Her husband was Maj. Harold Homeward, who had got his title by being a first lieutenant in the paymaster corps in World War I. He was a handsome, high-colored man, a dancing man but a surprisingly good accountant, with an eye for interesting writing, and useful about the Marduc magazines.

They had no children.

Her one humility was toward her father, and it may have been due more to her demands than to his own that he was so often considered, in editorial offices and bars, as a possible President, who would look handsome at that starry and eagle-pinioned desk while Winifred merely ran the country.

When Winifred and the Colonel were together, she talked so much about his virtues that he had no chance to talk about them himself.

Besides being on the boards of twenty-seven different welfare organizations, serving as a Republican Committeewoman, and speaking publicly on an average of three times a week on all the Causes in which she believed—and they included every Cause that any active women's-college graduate possibly could believe in, during the years 1930-1950—Winifred Marduc Homeward was the editor of that feminist and liberal weekly *Attention!*, of which her father was the actual owner —or donor—and her husband the titular publisher.

The complicated and slightly hysterical ideology of *Attention!* may be formulated as a belief that the offices of President, editor of the New York Herald-Times, head of a united University of Columbia and California, and the official dismisser of all distasteful conclusions of the Gallup Poll, should be combined and held by a person whose description resembled that of Winifred Homeward.

And though *Attention!* had been published, and Colonel Marduc had been highly public, during the year 1936, when Franco's revolution began in Spain and Zinovieff and Kameneff had been shot in Russia, neither Winifred nor the Colonel had taken a more belligerent stand on these matters than to say, with affecting earnestness, "One must not come to hasty conclusions on affairs so complicated and so uncandidly reported."

That was the reigning family —Colonel Marduc and Winifred and their illegitimate offspring, Major Homeward—to whose golden company the Planishes had long aspired.

(To Be Continued)

Labor Groups Getting Set for Elections

Washington, Jan. 31 (AP)—Organized labor poses one of the biggest question marks in this year's political campaign.

With the CIO political action committee in the vanguard, members of labor unions from Oregon to Florida are bestirring themselves in a "turn out the vote" drive that may produce some surprising results.

The CIO committee, reputedly well heeled financially, is going out openly after the scalps of congressmen and senators who voted for the Smith - Connally anti - strike law and for other labor regulatory measures.

Its activities already have come under fire from Rep. Smith (D-Va), who demanded and got the promise of a justice department investigation into Smith's charge that the committee was violating provisions of the Smith- Connally Act against union participation in political campaigns. The Dies Committee on un-American affairs also has projected an investigation of the CIO group.

While 2,500 New York CIO members recently endorsed a fourth term for President Roosevelt, a country-wide survey by the Associated Press indicated organized labor is even more interested in local issues in many localities.

In Florida, for instance, the unions, swollen in membership by shipyard and other defense workers, are organized to fight a proposed constitutional amendment to outlaw the closed show in that state.

The campaign for that amendment, which would preserve labor's right to organize and bargain collectively but would prohibit the closed shop, is being led by Attorney General Tom Watson, running for re-election. Watson contends many workers who have been forced to join unions to hold defense jobs favor it.

In California the AFL and CIO are concentrating on registration of the estimated 50,000 workers who have been drawn into the state by war industries and on getting them to the polls. What effect this additional vote will have in a pivotal presidential state is anybody's guess.

The Pacific Northwest has had the same kind of influx of labor into war industries, but in some other states, such as New Mexico, the situation is reversed. The New Mexico vote is expected to be very light, since many of its citizens are in the armed forces and others have gone farther west to the war plants.

Texas, ordinarily considered an "unorganized" state, is witnessing a union drive to register workers and to get them to pay their poll tax.

In Maryland, labor is fighting a law which requires a voter to state his intention of becoming a citizen of the state at least a year before the election, a provision the unions say will disqualify many war workers.

Colorado furnishes another slant on the puzzle. Some war production has been curtailed in that state, notably the elimination of one eight-hour shift daily at the Denver ordnance plant. The politicians are wondering what will be the political reaction of workers who have been laid off and who may have to travel some distance to find other jobs.

And in the highly industrial New England and Missle Atlantic states, workers, who are unionized to a marked degree in these areas, are actively seeking to make their influence felt in the campaigns.

All of these questions have the leaders of both major parties guessing and they are not likely to know the correct answers until next November 7.

May Name Spiva New Spa Constable

Little Rock, Jan. 31 (AP) —John Spiva, former Hot Spring county game refuge supervisor, probably will be offered the appointment of constable at Hot Springs to succeed the late John Young, the governor's office said in announcing that Arthur Jefferson, Hot Springs Burial Association operator, had declined the appointment.

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U.S. Planning Pitiless Peace for Japan

Washington, Jan. 31 —(AP) —The American government's determination to impose a just but pitiless peace on Japan has been strengthened and hardened by the enemy's ruthless treatment of prisoners, it was learned today, and some ranking authorities are advocating a three-point program to strip the Japanese of their economic ability ever to make war again.

The main points of this program are:

1. Deprive the Japanese of all heavy industries which can be readily converted to muntions production.

2. Permit them to operate no merchant marine or commercial air fleets and to possess no ships larger than 1,000 tons capacity. This would limit their seafaring activities to fishing and small-scale trading.

3. Allow them to engage fully in the farming necessary to support their population.

Beyond these purely economic measures lie, of course, the post-war measure regarding Japan on which the United States has already agreed with its Allies in the Pacific and Asia. These are to strip the Japs oft their whole empire of conquest built up through half a century of aggression and to punish war criminals such as those military officials responsible for the atrocities inflicted on American prisoners in the Philippines.

In addition there is a belief in naval circles that the United States should have control of the Bonin islands or islands in that area for naval base use so long as this country is committed to help maintain the peace in that part of the world. The Bonins lie in a chain running south from Japan to Guam. The Guam-Bonin line is the base of Japanese strategic dispositions in the Pacific.

In talking now of measures necessary to keep Japan from embarking on new aggressions in the years to come, military men stressed the war in the Pacific still has a long way to go. Yet they feel that as the American people learn more of the nature of the enemy they are fighting they should also give consideration to the treatment of that enemy when he is defeated.

Release of information on the Philippine atrocities was but one step in giving out factual, documented stories of the suffering the Japanese have caused among groups of helpless people in their power. The stories have begun to come out in volume now largely because a majority of experts on Japan within the government finally agreed the situation of prisoners it could hardly be worse and might eventually be improved by the force of outraged public opinion.

Even the ruthless leaders now in control of the Japanese government may be swayed by this opinion, some experts feel, if they believe that by better treatment they may prevent the imposition of harsher pace terms than those already planned by the Allies.

But any peace short of unconditional surrender, American leaders fear, will leave Nippon in position to rearm and strike again.

TWO FLIERS KILLED

Newport, Jan. 31 (AP)— Lt. John E. Wentworth, 26, Brighton, Me., and Lt. Paul S. Hayward, 38, Floral Park, N. Y., were killed Saturday when a basic training plane crashed at the army air field here.

COMMENT IS ASKED

Little Rock, Jan. 31 (AP) If you don't like the plastic 1944 license plate you have on your car, Revenue Commissioner M. B. McLeod wants to know about it. He said some garage men had expressed a preference for it over the old metal type.

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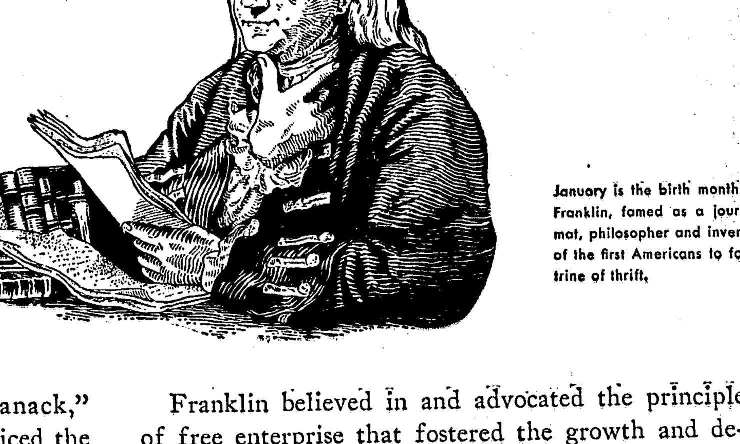
January is the birth month of Benjamin Franklin, famed as a journalist, diplomat, philosopher and inventor, and one of the first Americans to foster the doctrine of thrift.
As PUBLISHER of "Poor Richard's Almanack," Benjamin Franklin preached as well as practiced the principle of thrift, and through his teachings and example impressed on the consciousness of America forever the virtue of economy.
In 1737 Franklin invented an "open stove for the better heating of rooms, and at the same time fuel saving," thus symbolizing his love of comfort and good living and his philosophy of thrift.
Franklin believed in and advocated the principle of free enterprise that fostered the growth and development of industry in America, such as that which has brought the comfort and convenience of natural gas to the humblest home. He encouraged the type of management that husbanded the country's resources and made them available, at lowest possible cost, to the people.
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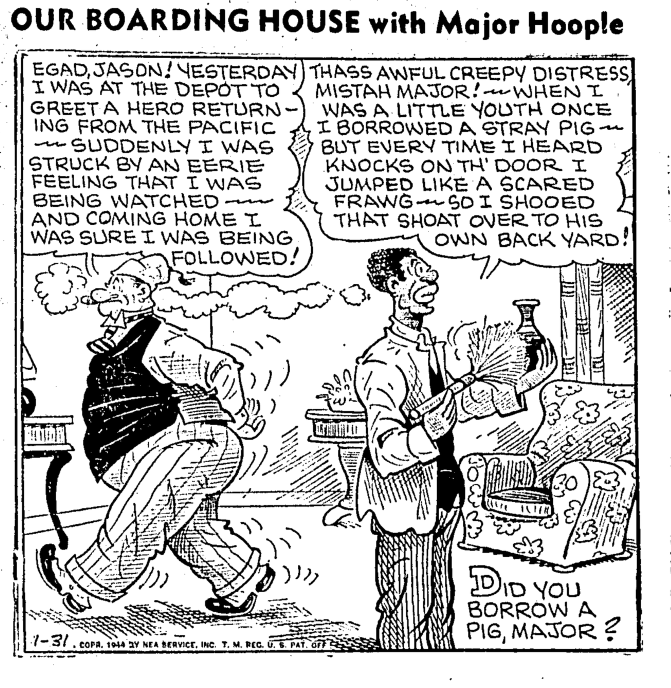

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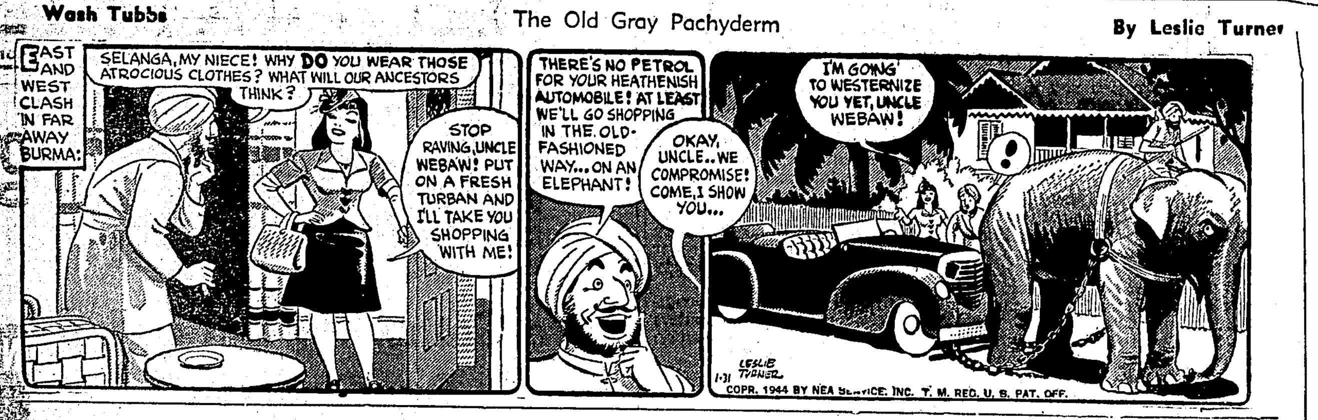

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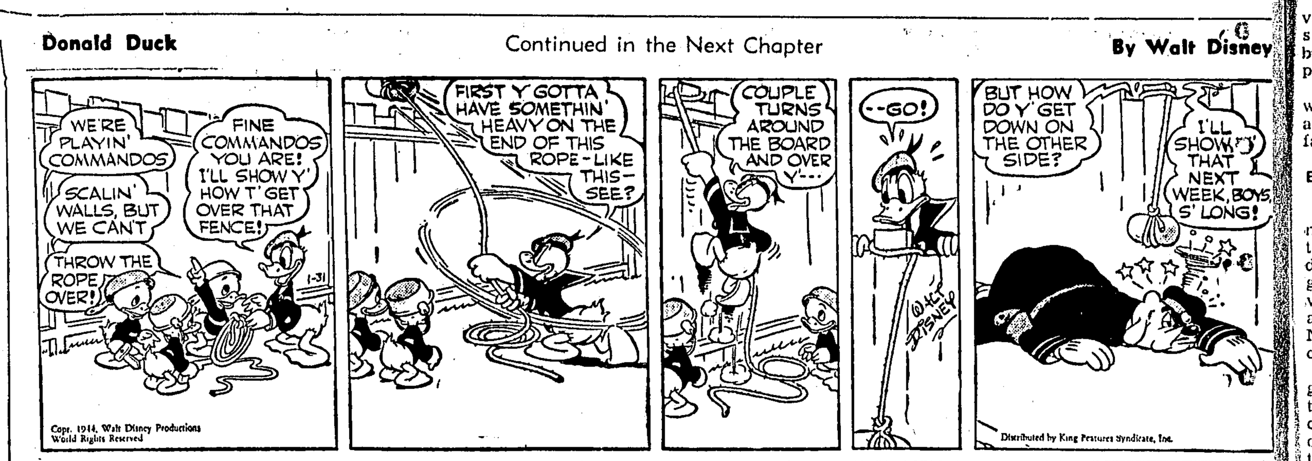

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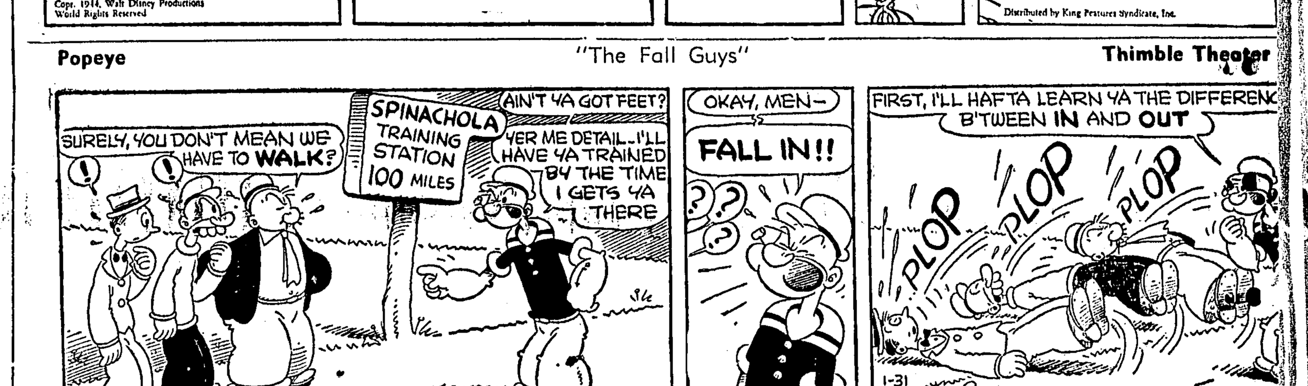

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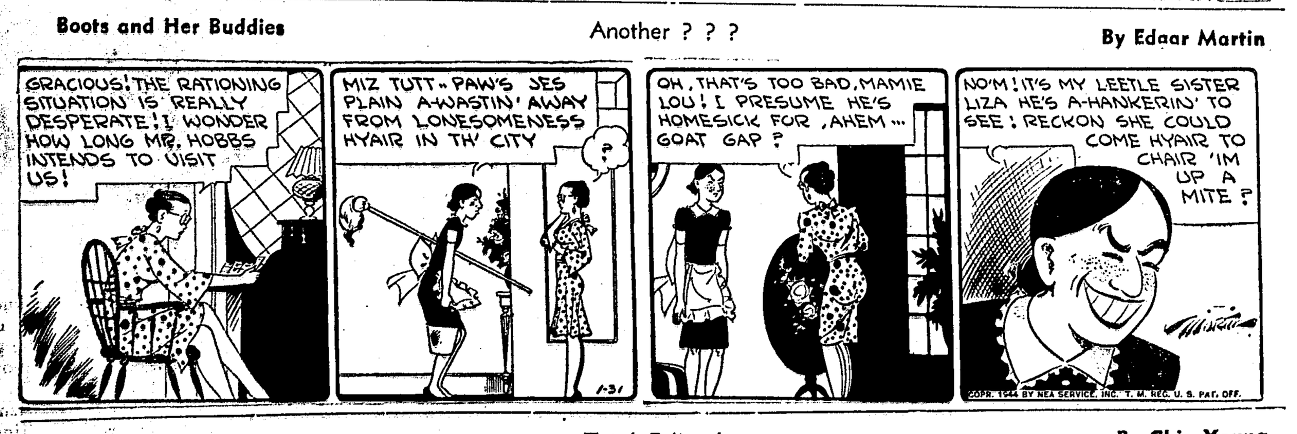

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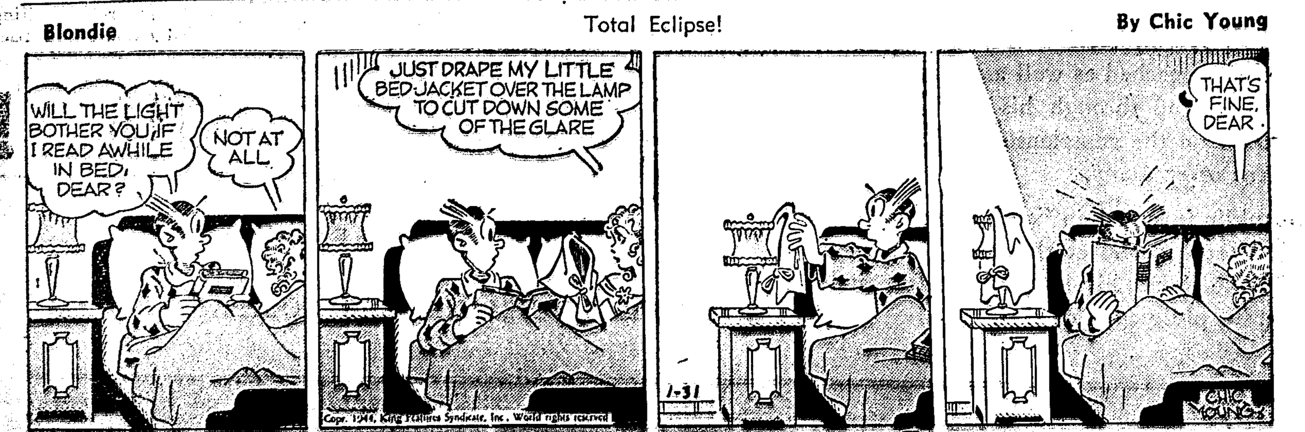

Freckles and His Friends — The Burning Question — By Merrill Blosser

Resignation of Stengel Saves Embarrassment

By BILL KING

Boston, Jan. 28 (AP) — Freed from possible embarrassment by the unsolicited resignation of the droll Charles Dillon (Casey) Stengel as their manager, the serious-minded director of the recently reorganized Boston Braves baseball club today were deliberating about his successor.

"Whenever a new group purchases control of a corporation, they have the right to dictate the policy," Stengel, now enroute east from his Glendale, Cal., home, wrote President Bob Quinn yesterday, adding, "and in order that there be no embarrassment, I hereby tender my resignation."

It was accepted immediately by Quinn and the three directors who recently acquired enough additional shares to control the club, Joe Maney, Guido Rugo and Louis Perini, all wealthy Boston contractors.

Quinn said these three have agreed to increase their already heavy investments in the club by taking over Stengel's stock, said to be valued from $35,000 to $50,000.

The club president also said Maney, now the Braves' treasurer, had provided him with a list of managerial possibilities but that the directors had agreed to delay appointing a new manager until after the National League meeting in New York on Feb. 8. It is presumed Stengel will arrive in New York for that event.

Under the Stengel managership, from 1938-43, the Braves finished fifth, then seventh four times and sixth last season while getting very little financial aid, because of the club's dire straits. Now ample funds are available and Quinn has been instructed to get competent players at almost any cost.

Quinn refused to comenmt about the names on the Maney list but speculation already has centered about such well-known baseball figures as Bucky Harris, Charley Grimm, Gabby Hartnett, Del Baker and Muddy Ruel.

Injured Flier Picks His Spot

Chattanooga, Tenn. —(AP)— Lt. Edwin C. Johnson, a bomber pilot, wrote home recently that he was forced to parachute from his plane returning from a bombing mission and in landing severely sprained his ankle.

He dragged himself for some distance before reaching a house. It was the home of a noted English specialist in the treatment of foot ailments.

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How Nazis Turn Towns Into Fortresses

How thoroughly Germans may have fortified some of Italian towns from which Allied troops are slowly, but surely, driving them is suggested in these U. S. Signal Corps photos. They show Axis street fortifications in Sicily. Upper left: Sign on concrete pillbox, center, background, commands the main street in Gela. Upper right: Germans evidently expected to be driven through Gela, for they rigged ingenious stunt for house-to-house fighting, upper right. Slits in house were covered with thin coating of plaster on outside. Red circles and symbols were painted on walls to indicate prepared machine-gun positions. As Axis troops retreated through streets, they entered houses thus fixed, knocked out the plaster coating and poked gun barrel through slit. Lower left: two American soldiers examine earth-and-masonry machine-gun pit. Lower right. This pillbox, near San Croce, looked like tough nut, but Allies cracked it—and how. (U. S. Signal Corps Photos From NEA)

Jilting So Prominent That 'Wobac' Club Is Organized

By HAL BOYLE

U. S. Bomber base in Italy, Jan. 18 (Delayed) —(AP)—You can never tell about people. I've been through five countries with this army in the last 15 months and I thought it was made up of the truest, most faithful men imagineable.

They sure talk that way when they're homesick.

But Johnny Doughboy must have a Jekyll and Hyde personality. You certainly would think so if you could take a look at my mail bag. It is full of letters from the girls back home complaining that "that man in uniform" has done her wrong and thrown her loving heart aside to chase after some gilded two-timing creature who will make him unhappy all his life or else take his money and leave him forlorn.

Judging from these epistles, most soldiers are wolves in olive drab. Uncle Sam seems to have roped into service all the Casanovas and Lobos hitherto loose in the land, and no women since Eve went apple picking have been more outrageously betrayed, forsaken and just plain jilted.

That's their story, anyway. All these discarded Becky Truehearts are now Wabocs — members of the Womens Auxiliary of the Brush-off club, the fastest growing organization of the lovelorn in the world. Captain Howard Hammersly of Roanoke, Va., organized it as an annex to his Brush-off club, made up of mournful soldiery who were given the hemlock cup by femmes back home.

Hammersly formed the auxiliary after the girls back home replied with claims that more girls were getting the brush - off treatment from troops than were dishing it out. Apparently they are right.

In a misguided moment I agreed to act as a pinchhiting secretary for the Wabocs. Since then, female riveters from all parts of the country have been writing me what traitors to cupid their boy friends in the army have turned out to be.

These are sad tales, a coast to coast record of infamy, perfidy, and base double dealing, shocking to a lifelong defender of the rights of American womanhood. However, the rugged —shouldered girls are dead game sports. They are taking their brush-off in stride.

A girl from Danbury, Conn., thrown over by a handsome army captain, wrote:

"Now I've taken care of all the necessary details by burning those letters, throwing his photos and other souvenirs in the old wash stand in the attic, and pouring his favorite perfume in the sink. So I'll probably recover very nicely."

A maid from Camden, N. J., who signed herself "Jiltedly yours," acknowledged that she, too, had been given the old heave by an officer.

"Alas and alack," she said, "his affections were swayed by another. I didn't even have a chance to defend myself."

Philadelphia girl lost out to "one of those peaches and cream complexion girls down south."

An Eau Claire, Wis., girl learned from her prospective mother-in-law that her Joe has already been married two months to a girl near his camp. A Bedford, Ind., lass is sabotaged by her staff sergeant "right out of a clear sky one day."

A Virginia, Minn., girl and her army dentist have parted and she is looking for someone else to fill her heart and teeth.

In Richmond, Va., a belle of the old south fears that a boy friend who left her for the Southwest Pacific 18 months ago has fallen for one of the "bush women."

A pretty miss from Oxford, Pa., met a sailor and went for him "like a fish goes to water" but her people wrote to the boy's commander and learned that the young gab had a wife and daughter in Tennessee.

"I wish sometimes that married men would not ask girls for dates and make them fall in love with them," wrote the girl. "Why are they so mean?"

A Santa Monica, Calif., girl dolefully recounted how her soldier in Australia sent her a very short and snappy letter saying he was marrying a girl over there.

The toughest luck befell a worker in a New Orleans aircraft factory who lost one man and married a second, only to be brushed off by him, too. So far she is the only double loser to write.

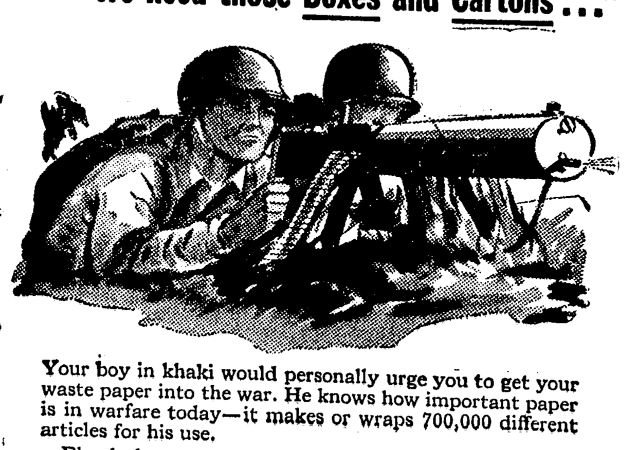
"I buy war bonds regularly and have given three pints of blood to the Red Cross," she wrote, 'and what happens to me should not happen to a dog."

Perhaps the most interesting letter came from a 21-year-old girl with a figure like Betty Grable, who enclosed a photograph of herself in a swim suit and remarked modestly "this will give you some idea of what's around my aching heart."

This report closes my stewardship of the Waboc. Any lonely hearted lady in misery who wants company can get a Waboc insignia by writing Capt. Howard Hammersly, APO 512, U. S. Army, care of postmaster, New York City.

"The way things are going," said Hammersly, "We will need more Waboc badges than tanks before on mass production."

"MOTHER!
We need those Boxes and Cartons ..."



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Flashes of Life

They're Too Young

New York — Half the graduating class, clad in academic gowns and mortarboards, received diplomas. The other 15 failed to make the grade, but they didn't seem to mind.

The latter didn't meet the Children's Aid Society's Kindergarten ruling that graduates be six years old — and that meant another year in the sandbox for them.

This Is Too Much

New Orleans — M. J. Leumas, district OPA shoe rationing officer, reporaed this telephone call from an irate female citizen:

"A woman in my neighborhood is selling loose shoe stamps above the ceiling price. I have never paid over 50 cents for a loose stamp, and this woman I am telling you about is selling them for three dollars."

OPA agents are looking into it.

Animals Too

New York — Food costs are a problem for the bronx zoo these days, even though it serves only non-rationed items to its tenants. Zoo officials estimate it will cost $53,000 this year to feed the animals —$13,000 more than last year.

Inflation?

Baltimore — A Baltimore Evening Sun reporter toured downtown bars purely in the interests of a story, to check a report that martinis were shrinking.

He came back with the story? It isn't that the glasses are smaller —the olives are bigger.

The Limit

Abbeville, Ga. — J. R. Ham, editor of the Abbeville Chronicle, bagged five quail without touching a gun.

During services at a country church the birds flew against a window, breaking the glass and falling inside. Ham packed them up.

San Diego — Producers of a radio program publicizing the marine corps doubt the attentiveness of a Brooklyn, N Y., listener who wrote:

"I have used the product advertised on your program for years and have been highly satisifed with results. Keep up the good work."

Salt Lake City — Bakery workers thought a little heat on the building's drain pipes might produce a synthetic thaw and prevent snow from piling up.

City firemen had to stop the thaw.

The roof caught fire.

Los Angeles — Two ministers, summoned into court on war workers' complaints that their church services were "loud and noisy," offered this defense from Psalms:

"Make joyful noise unto the Lord."

It's An Ill Wind

Chattanooga, Tenn. —(AP)— The moonshine situation injected itself into the ration program here recently when a farmer applied for sugar on which to feed his bees. His bees had always feasted on the mash from 'shiners' stills but because of rationing, that source had dried up. The farmer got his sugar.

New Band Classes Are Organized

Thomas Lavin, local band director, states that beginners classes for all band instruments are being organized this week. There will also be a class in baton twirling and a class in music theory. The baton twirling class is for the purpose of training girls for drum majorettes to replace those girls graduating this year. This will be an opportunity for parents to place their boy or girl in the Hope High School Band, a musical organization where students learn to play and enjoy good music.

The band has participated in many activities this school year and future plans include several concerts and trips to the Arkansas State Clinic to be held in Conway in March and the South Arkansas Band fertival to be held either in Camden or El Dorado. The high school concert band now consists of 62 members. The Hope Band is one of the largest concert bands in this section of the state.

Two new instruments for the band have been purchased by the Band Mother Club. The instruments are a Baritone Saxophone and a French Horn. The Band Mothers Club also makes band work for the students more interesting by the purchase of some new music every month. The High School Band Library now consists of over 300 numbers with 15,000 individual pieces of music. This rapidly growing band library is the best in Southwest Arkansas. The Band Mothers Club is headed this year by Mrs. Harry Segnar. It is made up of a number of ladies who are interested in the advancement of band music.

Any parents who are interested in his boy or girl enrolling in the band may contact Mr. Lavin at the high school any time in the next ten days.

Washington

By JACK STINNETT

Washington If ever a political football got a booting around, it's the proposed Soldiers Vote Act.

Capitol Hill observers here still think that Congress will do something about it and soon (or it will be too late). When the House elections committee recently repudiated its committee chairman (House sponsor of the new version of the Green-Lucas bill, providing national machinery for participation in the service vote), it was an indication of how bitter the row is getting. It's not often that a committee openly kicks its chairman in the teeth.

It's almost impossible to get a clear picture of the situation unless you dip into political speculations. I doubt if you can find one member of Congress who would deny that the men and women in our armed forces have a right to vote.

In principle, therefore, there is publicly perfect agreement. Some state's rights congressmen, mostly from the South, see in the proposed federal government-ballot a threat to state control of elections provided by the Constitution. Others sincerely believe that it is impossible to write a national absentee voting law, providing for federal distribution and collection of ballots (by the army, navy and merchant marine) that would stand up under the Constituion. And that the result would be a chaotic contest of elections which it might take the U.S. Supreme Court months or years to straighten out.

But from there on the fight over the soldiers vote is purely and simply political. Some of the more flagrant opportunists, for example, are willing to sponsor or vote for anything, so long as it appears that they are fronting for the boys in uniform.

The real ruckus though is a three-way scrap between Republicans, administration men and states rights Democrats. The attitude of the last, some sincere and some merely playing politics, has been explained.

For the others, we will have to take the explanations of non-partisan political observers. They point out that the administration was the first to go all out for the soldiers vote. This caused the old-line Republicans to turn a fishy eye on any Democratic legislative proposals.

It's said openly here and not denied generally, in spite of Republican National Chairman Harrison Spangler's "survey" a few weeks back, that the Democrats probably would profit more by the soldier vote than the Republicans, especially if the commander-in-chief is running for a fourth term.

In the meantime, the temperature of public sentiment is soaring. The showdown can't be far off now. You should see some congressmen's mail.

Washington — About 99 per cent of the dollar-a-year executives and big business bigwigs who come to Washington to take over war jobs arrive with banners flying a 21-gun salute from press and radio, and preditions that victory on their particular sectors of the home front is now a foregone conclusion. From there on a generous number of them flop miserably.

Theodore Roosevelt Gamble, 37, however, is one young man who has reversed the order of things. He acquired his handle because Papa Gamble had an intense adminration for the man who was president when Ted was born in Nevada, Mo.

He's Uncle Sam's No. 1 bond salesman —the man who put over the immensely successful Third War Loan Drive and has just launched the Fourth, with predial circles here that it will go over the top, too, by a couple of billion or so.

What is more important, Gamble is concentrating on individual investors and institutions. In the Third War Loan Drive, Gamble's war finance division, in which his official title is national director, sold two billion more to individuals, partnerships and personal truts than was sold to these groups in the Second Drive.

This is something, if you will hark back to June of last year. Secretary of the Treasury Morgenthau had just taken the National War Loan drives away from the Victory Fund committees and the War Victory Fund committees and the War Saving staffs. Up to that time, the drives had been administered on a basis of Federal Reserve Districts and the board of governors and presidents of the Federal Reserve Banks were the guiding lights, surrounded by volunteers who had worked hard in the first and second campaigns. It was no secret here that they were sore about the reorganization.

On July 2, the secretary announced that Ted R. Gamble would be the new national director. Many of the Federal Reserve officials had never heard of him. In Gamble's presence, when he came here for his first conference, a number declared flatly they didn't believe he would prove capable of handling the job.

They should have taken a look at the record. Gamble worked his way through Washington State University by managing a little movie. Ten years later, he owned a string, centering around Portland, Ore. In 1939, he was named Portland's "first citizen" and in was picked by the Junior Chamber of Commerce as one of the outstanding young men in country. Moreover he had been running the Oregon bond drive with great success.

One of his district directors who formerly stormed at his appointment was asked recently "What's Gamble got that anybody hasn't?" He answered, "Darned if I know unless it is that he sticks at his desk 12 to 16 hours a day and seems to inspire evey one who works with him to do likewise."

'Music Goes Round and Round . . .'

Ever wonder what happened to musical madcaps who drove U. S. nearly nuts with "The Music Goes 'Round and 'Round"? Red Hodgsen, one of the authors, is a Pfc. with 740th M. P. Battalion and is still oompah-ing on the big horn. He's pictured with Abe Winchester, 4, whom he acquired as fascinated audience at Fourth War Loan rally in Chicago.

Stork Flies With Submarine United

London — When the British submarine United returned to base recently those awaiting her were puzzled to observe not only the Jolly Roger success flag but another flag they'd never seen.

The Jolly Roger meant the United had sunk an enemy warship. The other flag was a white sheet with a black stork carrying a baby in its beak.

While on patrol, the United's commanding officer Lieut. J. C. Y. Roxburgh had received word of the safe arrival of a daughter.

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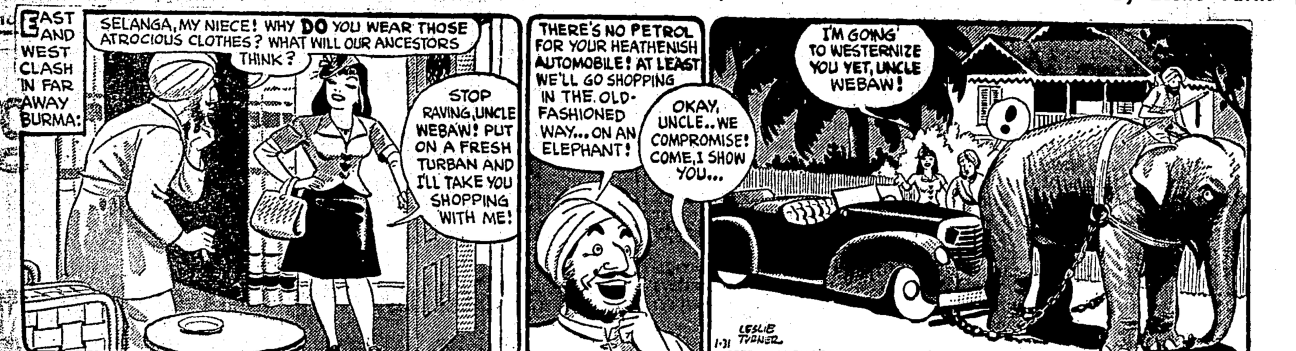

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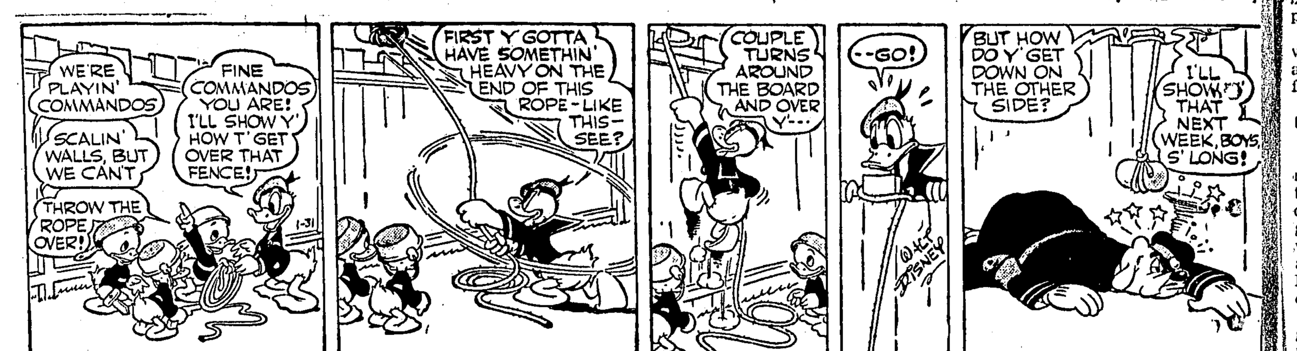

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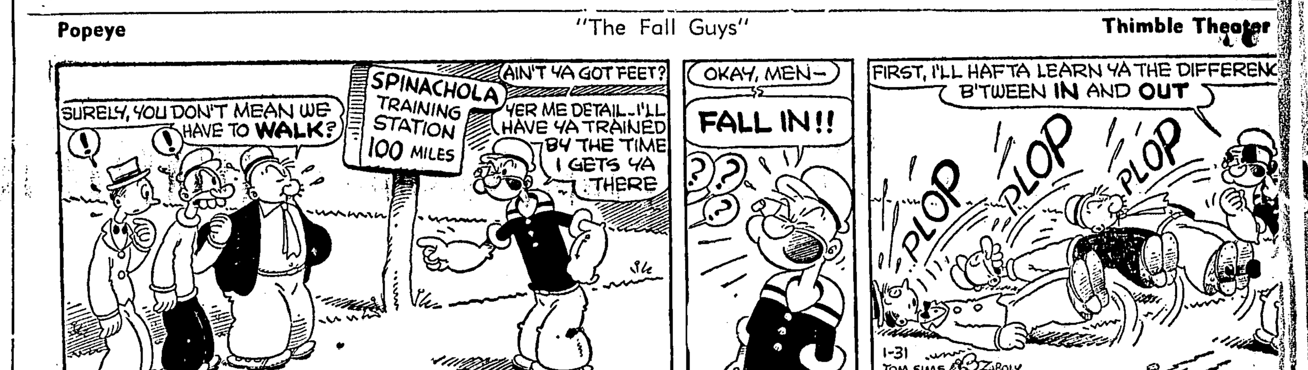

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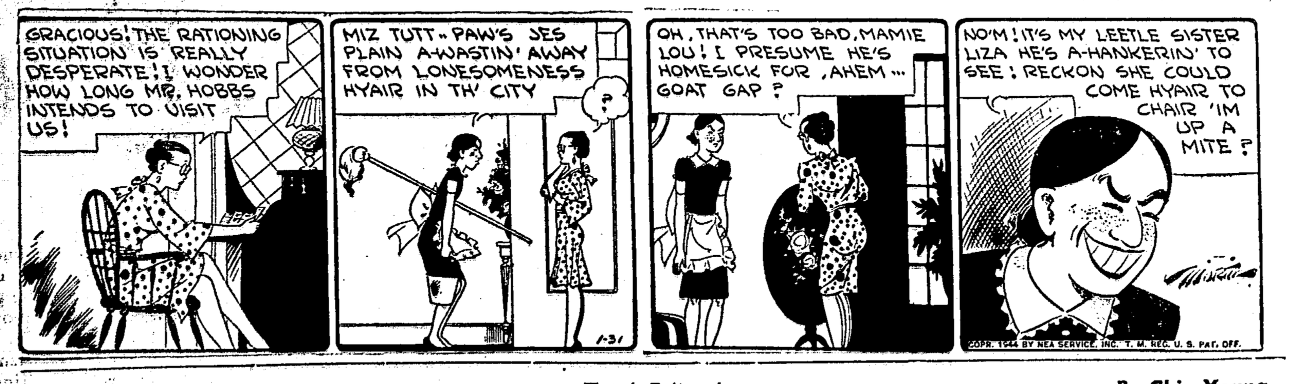

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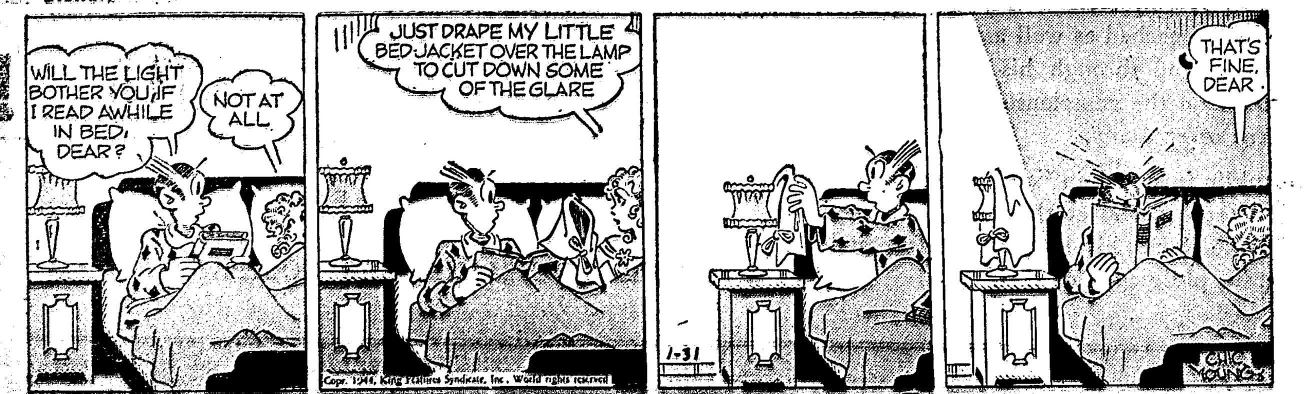

Freckles and His Friends — The Burning Question — By Merrill Blosser

Resignation of Stengel Saves Embarrassment

By BILL KING

Boston, Jan. 28 (AP) — Freed from possible embarrassment by the unsolicited resignation of the droll Charles Dillon (Casey) Stengel as their manager, the serious-minded director of the recently reorganized Boston Braves baseball club today were deliberating about his successor.

"Whenever a new group purchases control of a corporation, they have the right to dictate the policy," Stengel, now enroute east from his Glendale, Cal., home, wrote President Bob Quinn yesterday, adding, "and in order that there be no embarrassment, I hereby tender my resignation."

It was accepted immediately by Quinn and the three directors who recently acquired enough additional shares to control the club, Joe Maney, Guido Rugo and Louis Perini, all wealthy Boston contractors.

Quinn said those three have agreed to increase their already heavy investments in the club by taking over Stengel's stock, said to be valued from $35,000 to $50,000. The club president also said Maney, now the Braves' treasurer, had provided him with a list of managerial possibilities but that the directors had agreed to delay appointing a new manager until after the National League meeting in New York on Feb. 8. It is presumed Stengel will arrive in New York for that event.

Under the Stengel managership, from 1938-43, the Braves finished fifth, then seventh four times and sixth last season while getting very little financial aid, because of the club's dire straits. Now ample funds are available and Quinn has been instructed to get competent players at almost any cost.

Quinn refused to comenmt about the names on the Maney list but speculation already has centered about such well-known baseball figures as Bucky Harris, Charley Grimm, Gabby Hartnett, Del Baker and Muddy Ruel.

Injured Flier Picks His Spot

Chattanooga, Tenn. —(AP)— Lt. Edwin C. Johnson, a bomber pilot, wrote home recently that he was forced to parachute from his plane returning from a bombing mission and in landing severely sprained his ankle.

He dragged himself for some distance before reaching a house. It was the home of a noted English specialist in the treatment of foot ailments.

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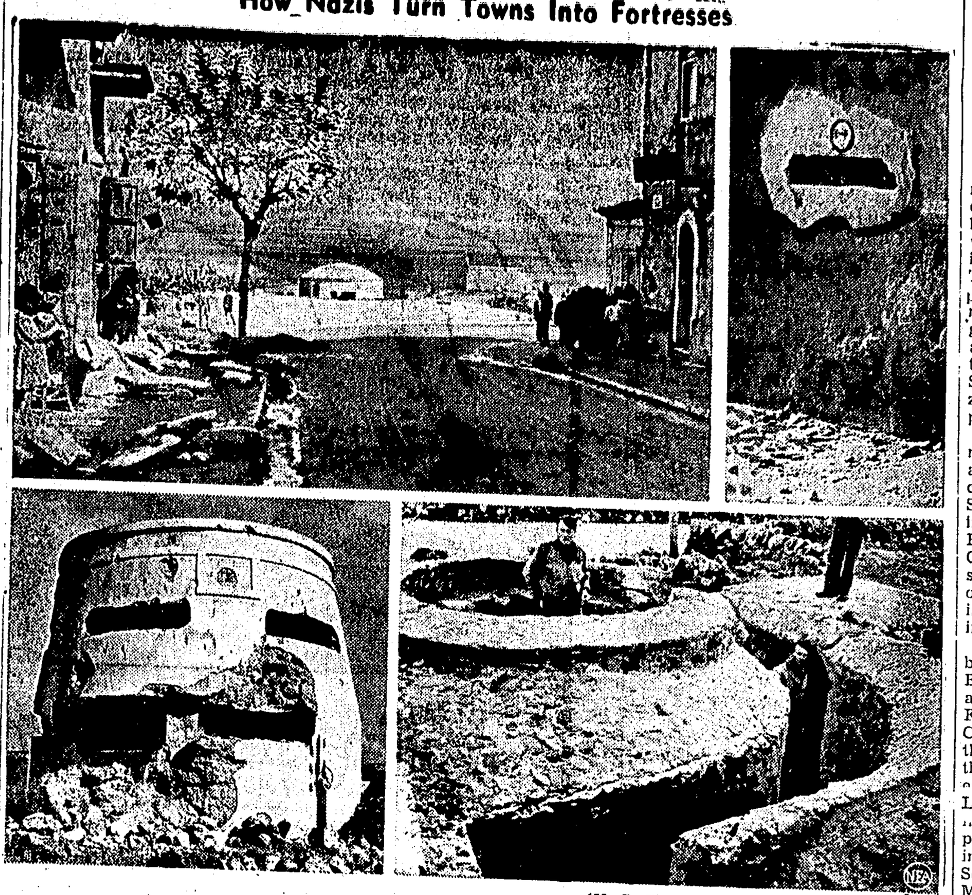

(U. S. Signal Corps Photos From NEA)

How thoroughly Germans may have fortified some of Italian towns from which Allied troops are slowly, but surely, driving them is suggested in the photos above, just released by censor. They show Axis street fortifications in Sicily. Upper left: concrete pillbox, center, background, commands the main street in Gela. Upper right: Germans evidently expected to be driven through Gela, for they rigged ingenious stunt for house-to-house fighting, upper right. Slits in house walls were covered with thin coating of plaster on outside. Red circles and symbols were painted on walls to indicate prepared machine-gun positions. As Axis troops retreated through streets, they entered houses thus fixed, knocked out the plaster coating and poked gun barrel through slit. Lower left: two American soldiers examine earth-and-masonry machine-gun pit. Lower right. This pillbox, near San Croce, looked like tough nut, but Allies cracked it—and how.

Jilting So Prominent That 'Wobac' Club Is Organized

By HAL BOYLE

U. S. Bomber base in Italy, Jan. 18 (Delayed) —(AP)— You can never tell about people. I've been through five countries with this army in the last 15 months and I thought it was made up of the truest, most faithful men imagineable.

They sure talk that way when they're homesick.

But Johnny Doughboy must have a Jekyll and Hyde personality. You certainly would think so if you could take a look at my mail bag. It is full of letters from the girls back home complaining that "that man in uniform" has done her wrong and thrown her loving heart aside to chase after some gilded two-timing creature who will make him unhappy all his life or else take his money and leave him forlorn.

Judging from these epistles, most soldiers are wolves in olive drab. Uncle Sam seems to have roped into service all the Casanovas and Lobos hitherto loose in the land, and no women since Eve went apple picking have been more outrageously betrayed, forsaken and just plain jilted.

That's their story, anyway. All these discarded Becky Truehearts are now Wabocs — members of the Womens Auxiliary of the Brush-off club, the fastest growing organization of the lovelorn in the world. Captain Howard Hammersly of Roanoke, Va., organized it as an annex to his Brush-off club, made up of mournful soldiery who were given the hemlock cup by femmes back home.

Hammersly formed the auxiliary after the girls back home replied with claims that more girls were getting the brush - off treatment from troops than were dishing it out. Apparently they are right.

In a misguided moment I agreed to act as a pinchhiting secretary for the Wabocs. Since then, female riveters from all parts of the country have been writing me what traitors to cupid their boy friends in the army have turned out to be.

These are sad tales, a coast to coast record of infamy, perfidy, and base double dealing, shocking to a lifelong defender of the rights of American womanhood. However, the rugged —shouldered girls are dead game sports. They are taking their brush-off in stride.

A girl from Danbury, Conn., thrown over by a handsome army captain, wrote:

"Now I've taken care of all the necessary details by burning those letters, throwing his photos and other souvenirs in the old wash stand in the attic, and pouring his favorite perfume in the sink. So I'll probably recover very nicely."

A maid from Camden, N. J., who signed herself "Jiltedly yours," acknowledged that she, too, had been given the old heave by an officer.

"Alas and alack," she said, "his affections were swayed by another. I didn't even have a chance to defend myself."

Philadelphia girl lost out to "one of those peaches and cream complexion girls down south."

An Eau Claire, Wis., girl learned from her prospective mother-in-law that her Joe has already been married two months to a girl near his camp. A Bedford, Ind., lass is sabotaged by her staff sergeant "right out of a clear sky one day."

A Virginia, Minn., girl and her army dentist have parted and she is looking for someone else to fill her heart and teeth.

In Richmond, Va., a belle of the old south fears that a boy friend who left her for the Southwest Pacific 18 months ago has fallen for one of the "bush women."

A pretty miss from Oxford, Pa., met a sailor and went for him "like a fish goes to water" but her people wrote to the boy's commander and learned that the young gab had a wife and daughter in Tennessee.

"I wish sometimes that married men would not ask girls for dates and make them fall in love with them," wrote the girl. "Why are they so mean?"

A Santa Monica, Calif., girl dolefully recounted how her soldier in Australia sent her a very short and snappy letter saying he was marrying a girl over there.

The toughest luck befell a worker in a New Orleans aircraft factory who lost one man and married a second, only to be brushed off by him, too. So far she is the only double loser to write.

"I buy war bonds regularly and have given three pints of blood to the Red Cross," she wrote, 'and what happens to me should not happen to a dog."

Perhaps the most interesting letter came from a 21-year-old girl with a figure like Betty Grable, who enclosed a photograph of herself in a swim suit and remarked modestly "this will give you some idea of what's around my aching heart."

This report closes my stewardship of the Waboc. Any lonely hearted lady in misery who wants company can get a Waboc insignia by writing Capt. Howard Hammersly, APO 512, U. S. Army, care of postmaster, New York City.

"The way things are going," said Hammersly, "We will need more Waboc badges than tanks before on mass production."

Flashes of Life

They're Too Young

New York — Half the graduating class, clad in academic gowns and mortarboards, received diplomas. The other 15 failed to make the grade, but they didn't seem to mind.

The latter didn't meet the Children's Aid Society's Kindergarten ruling that graduates be six years old — and that meant another year in the sandbox for them.

This Is Too Much

New Orleans — M. J. Leumas, district OPA shoe rationing officer, reporaced this telephone call from an irate female citizen:

"A woman in my neighborhood is selling loose shoe stamps above the ceiling price. I have never paid over 50 cents for a loose stamp, and this woman I am telling you about is selling them for three dollars."

OPA agents are looking into it.

Animals Too

New York — Food costs are a problem for the bronx zoo these days, even though it serves only non-rationed items to its tenants.

Zoo officials estimate it will cost $53,000 this year to feed the animals —$13,000 more than last year.

Inflation?

Baltimore — A Baltimore Evening Sun reporter toured downtown bars purely in the interests of a story, to check a report that martinis were shrinking.

He came back with the story? It isn't that the glasses are smaller —the olives are bigger.

The Limit

Abbeville, Ga. — J. R. Ham, editor of the Abbeville Chronicle, bagged five quail without touching a gun.

During services at a country church the birds flew against a window, breaking the glass and falling inside. Ham packed them up.

San Diego — Producers of a radio program publicizing the marine corps doubt the attentiveness of a Brooklyn, N Y., listener who wrote:

"I have used the product advertised on your program for years and have been highly satisifed with results. Keep up the good work."

Salt Lake City — Bakery workers thought a little heat on the building's drain pipes might produce a synthetic thaw and prevent snow from piling up.

City firemen had to stop the thaw.

The roof caught fire.

Los Angeles — Two ministers, summoned into court on war workers' complaints that their church services were "loud and noisy," offered this defense from Psalms:

"Make joyful noise unto the Lord."

It's An Ill Wind

Chattanooga, Tenn. —(AP)— The moonshine situation injected itself into the ration program here recently when a farmer applied for sugar on which to feed his bees. His bees had always feasted on the mash from 'shiners' stills but because of rationing, that source had dried up. The farmer got his sugar.

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New Band Classes Are Organized

Thomas Lavin, local band director, states that beginners classes for all band instruments are being organized this week. There will also be a class in baton twirling and a class in music theory. The baton twirling class is for the purpose of training girls for drum majorettes to replace those girls graduating this year. This will be an opportunity for parents to place their boy or girl in the Hope High School Band, a musical organization where students learn to play and enjoy good music.

The band has participated in many activities this school year and future plans include several concerts and trips to the Arkansas State Clinic to be held in Conway in March and the South Arkansas Band fertival to be held either in Camden or El Dorado. The high school concert band now consists of 62 members. The Hope Band is one of the largest concert bands in this section of the state.

Two new instruments for the band have been purchased by the Band Mother Club. The instruments are a Baritone Saxophone and a French Horn. The Band Mothers Club also makes band work for the students more interesting by the purchase of some new music every month. The High School Band Library now consists of over 300 members with 15,000 individual pieces of music. This rapidly growing band library is the best in Southwest Arkansas. The Band Mothers Club is headed this year by Mrs. Harry Segnar. It is made up of a number of ladies who are interested in the advancement of band music.

Any parents who are interested in his boy or girl enrolling in the band may contact Mr. Lavin at the high school any time in the next ten days.

Washington

By JACK STINNETT

Washington If ever a political football got a booting around, it's the proposed Soldiers Vote Act.

Capitol Hill observers here still think that Congress will do something about it and soon (or it will be too late). When the House elections committee recently repudiated its committee chairman (House sponsor of the new version of the Green-Lucas bill, providing national machinery for participation in the service vote), it was an indication of how bitter the row is getting. It's not often that a committee openly kicks its chairman in the teeth.

It's almost impossible to get a clear picture of the situation unless you dip into political speculations. I doubt if you can find one member of Congress who would deny that the men and women in our armed forces have a right to vote.

In principle, therefore, there is publicly perfect agreement. Some state's rights congressmen, mostly from the South, see in the proposed federal government-ballot a threat to state control of elections provided by the Constitution. Others sincerely believe that it is impossible to write a national absentee voting law, providing for federal distribution and collection of ballots (by the army, navy and merchant marine) that would stand up under the Constituion. And that the result would be a chaotic contest of elections which it might take the U.S. Supreme Court months or years to straighten out.

But from there on the fight over the soldiers vote is purely and simply political. Some of the more flagrant opportunists, for example, are willing to sponsor or vote for anything, so long as it appears that they are fronting for the boys in uniform.

The real ruckus though is a three-way scrap between Republicans, administration men and states rights Democrats. The attitude of the last, some sincere and some merely playing politics, has been explained.

For the others, we will have to take the explanations of non-partisan political observers. They point out that the administration was the first to go all out for the soldiers vote. This caused the old-line Republicans to turn a fishy eye on any Democratic legislative proposals.

It's said openly here and not denied generally, in spite of Republican National Chairman Harrison Spangler's "survey" a few weeks back, that the Democrats probably would profit more by the soldier vote than the Republicans, especially if the commander-in-chief is running for a fourth term.

In the meantime, the temperature of public sentiment is soaring. The showdown can't be far off now. You should see some congressmen's mail.

Washington — About 99 per cent of the dollar-a-year executives and big business bigwigs who come to Washington to take over war jobs arrive with banners flying a 21-gun salute from press and radio, and preditions that victory on their particular sectors of the home front is now a foregone conclusion. From there on a generous number of them flop miserably.

Theodore Roosevelt Gamble, 37, however, is one young man who has reversed the order of things. He acquired his handle because Papa Gamble had an intense adminration for the man who was president when Ted was born in Nevada, Mo.

He's Uncle Sam's No. 1 bond salesman —the man who put over the immensely successful Third War Loan Drive and has just launched the Fourth, with predial circles here that it will go over the top, too, by a couple of billion or so.

What is more important, Gamble is concentrating on individual investors and institutions. In the Third War Loan Drive, Gamble's war finance division, in which his official title is national director, sold two billion more to individuals, partnerships and personal truts than was sold to these groups in the Second Drive.

This is something, if you will hark back to June of last year. Secretary of the Treasury Morgenthau had just taken the National War Loan drives away from the Victory Fund committees and the War Victory Fund committees and the War Saving staffs. Up to that time, the drives had been administered on a basis of Federal Reserve Districts and the board of governors and presidents of the Federal Reserve Banks were the guiding lights, surrounded by volunteers who had worked hard in the first and second campaigns. It was no secret here that they were sore about the reorganization.

On July 2, the secretary announced that Ted R. Gamble would be the new national director. Many of the Federal Reserve officials had never heard of him. In Gamble's presence, when he came here for his first conference, a number declared flatly they didn't believe he would prove capable of handling the job.

They should have taken a look at the record. Gamble worked his way through Washington State University by managing a little movie. Ten years later, he owned a string, centering around Portland, Ore. In 1939, he was named Portland's "first citizen" and in was picked by the Junior Chamber of Commerce as one of the outstanding young men in the country. Moreover he had been running the Oregon bond drive with great success.

One of his district directors who formerly stormed at his appointment was asked recently "What's Gamble got that anybody hasn't?" He answered, "Darned if I know unless it is that he sticks at his desk 12 to 16 hours a day and seems to inspire evey one who works with him to do likewise."

'Music Goes Round and Round . . .'

Ever wonder what happened to musical madcaps who drove U. S. nearly nuts with "The Music Goes 'Round and 'Round"? Red Hodgsen, one of the authors, is a Pfc. with 740th M. P. Battalion and is still oompah-ing on the big horn. He's pictured with Abe Winchester, 4, whom he acquired as fascinated audience at Fourth War Loan rally in Chicago.

Stork Flies With Submarine United

London — When the British submarine United returned to base recently those awaiting her were puzzled to observe not only the Jolly Roger success flag but another flag they'd never seen.

The Jolly Roger meant the United had sunk an enemy warship. The other flag was a white sheet with a black stork carrying a baby in its beak.

While on patrol, the United's commanding officer Lieut. J. C. Y. Roxburgh had received word of the safe arrival of a daughter.

After the United picked up enemy survivors including the commanding officer, the latter's first request to Roxburgh was that his wife be notified of his safety.

His reported loss might affect her condition, he explained, adding: "You see, we are expecting an addition to the family."

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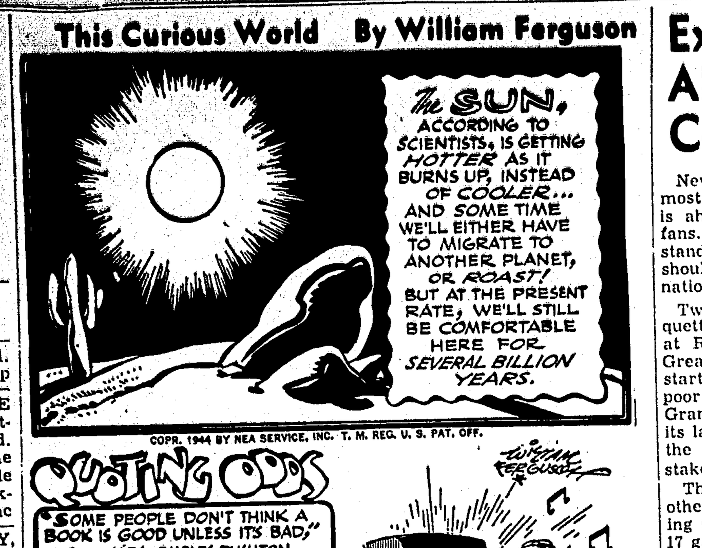
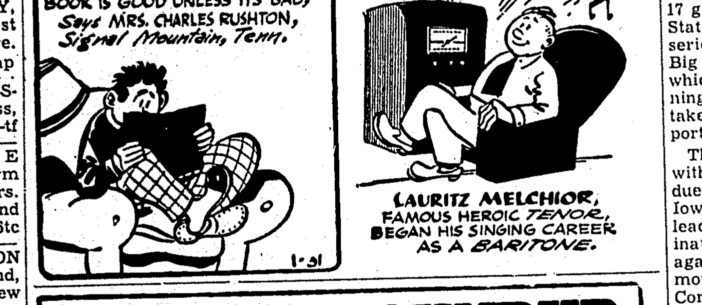
He Couldn't Slide Uphill

Chattanooga, Tenn. —(AP)— A sudden and severe ice storm which coated trees, broke power lines and left families atop nearby Lookout Mountain without electricity for a couple of days, dealth the Ted Nelsons a doubly severe blow. Their son, Ted, jr., home on a brief furlough, came down the mountain, was caught by the storm and couldn't get back up for almost two days because of the ice.

This Curious World — By William Ferguson





SPORTS ROUNDUP

By Hugh S. Fullerton, Jr.
Associated Press Sports Columnist

New York, Jan. 31 (AP)—Showing just how far some baseball executives will go nor players this year, Atlanta's Earl Mann, who recently signed ten players in Cuba, annountered one prospect whose father wasn't sure his boy would be well fed "up north". . .So Mann, who dislikes highly seasoned food, set out to show him that Georgians could stow away their share of Cuban grub. . .Earl mannfully ate all he could, then stowed away a few "extra helpings" in his pockets when nobody was looking. . .And up at Bear mountain last week when Michael Martin, four-year-old son of the inn manager, turned up in a baseball suit marked "Dodgers," the scribes claimed they saw Branch Ricket reaching for a blank contract.

Triple Talk

When the New York State Athletic Commission "clarified" the lightweight title situation last week, part of the statement handed out by Chairman John J. Phelan said "The final bout is understood to be between the winners of the Beau Jack-Bob Montgomery and Sammy Angott contest." Sounds as if they were ganging up on Sammy.

Monday Matinee

John Shevlin of the New York State Racing Commission, can be the new manager of the Jamaica and Aqueduct tracks if he wants the job. . .If Billy Herman goes into the army, the Dodgers' second sacker may be Frank Drews, a .256 hitter from St. Paul who was to be merely "looked over" this spring. . .Abe (N.B.A.) Greene's pointed comment on Friday's Angott-Beau Jack fight: "It was a prelude to a 15-round title fight at $16.50 tops, but I'd hate to be the one who pays $16.50.". . .

Quincy, Mass., Claims

Quincy, Mass., claims the nation's No. 1 bike rider in Dr. Walter Gardner Kendall, 88 years old and serving his 54th term as captain of the Boston bicycle club. .The Washington Senators, who can't go south of the Potomac for training, will spend a week in Norfolk, Va., playing exhibitions against the naval training station and naval air station teams. . . .After seeing that old-time fight movie, Tony Galento hollered he "wuz rubbed" because it showed only flashes of his good rounds against Joe Louis and plenty of Tony hitting the deck.

Service Dept

When Sgt. Joe Louis ends his furlough in mid-February, he'll be given a refresher basic training course before going overseas with a special service unit. . .Col. Heinie Miller, the National Boxing Association executive secretary, reports to his new marine post at New River, N. C., tomorrow. . .Corp. Sam Nahem, former Phillies pitcher who turned sports writer with an anti-aircraft outfit, claims his brother Joe, also in the army, was driven out of baseball by the newspaper. . .The kid got tired of reading about Sam "and his brother Joe."

Farm Women Urged to Help Win War by Doing Their Part

"With our country at war, and our boys fighting on many battle fronts to defend our way of living, it is vital that the men and women at home do their utmost to help win the war in their own particular field," Miss Connie J. Bonslagel, State Home Demonstration Agent of the University of Arkansas College of Agriculture, declared this week.

The particular "Theater of action" of the farm women, Miss Bonslagel pointed out, is the farm home and the farm community. As individuals farms women can do much, but banded together in groups, as many of them are, they can do far more.

"The Secretary of Agriculture has said that the farm women of America are organized, ready and willing to do more than their part in winning this war. We believe that he is right. It is vital that all able-bodied farm women be united in their efforts to bring Victory and to make plans for a better rural life after the Victory is won.

"The 57,352 home demonstration club women in Arkansas have dedicated February, March and April to the mobilization of members. They say that home demonstration clubs are a part of a big democratic educational system, the Agricultural Extension Service, just as democratic as the public schools. They are concerned about hte women who are not participating in their adult e d u c a t i o n program which is meant for all. True that four out of every 10 farm women in the state are home demonstration club members, but what, they ask, about the other six?

"All rural women are invited to join a club if there is one nearby, or to organize a new club if there is not one in walking distance. True, the home demonstration agent, who sponsors these clubs, cannot possibly be present at all club meetings. But that doesn't matter. Club programs are carefully planned for a year ahead ;each member has a year book outlining the program and giving the names of the various local, volunteer leaders who have charge of the program or demonstration lessons when the agent is not present.

"No, these are not pay clubs." A woman can be a club member 10 years and never pay a cent in dues. She does help with the many club plans to raise money to buy war bonds, build club houses, and help carry on the county and state council business, and to help with various kinds of war work.

"There are 2,076 home demonstration clubs in Arkansas now, with 57,352 members. This is a little less than 40 per cent of all the farm women in the state. The vice-president of each home demonstration club is in charge of the mobilization of members in her community. She and members of her committee will also gladly assist in the organization of new clubs where eight or more women are interested.

"During this three-month mobilization period, the home demonstration club leaders hope to increase their membership to 50 per cent of the rural women in the state. That will mean 22,472 more women banded together to do their united utmost to keep the home front firm now and to plan for better farm homes for better farm folks after peace is brought to reign in this world again."

The Hempstead County Council officers and officers from each club will hold their first countywide board meeting, Saturday, February 12th in Hope at City Hall to open their campaign for membership and to hold a leader training meeting for all club officers at that time. Miss Mary Claude Fletcher, home demonstration agent, Miss Cora Lee Westbrook, assistant home demonstration agent, with county council officers, Mrs. C. A. Phillips, President, Mrs. C. R. Willard, Vice-President, Mrs. Jeff Tollett, Vice-President, Mrs. W. T. Yarberry, Secretary-Treasurer, Mrs. Troy Irvin and Mrs. Eli Kidd, Reporters, Mrs. Mark Jackson and Mrs. Jack Huckabee, Song Leaders, Mrs. C. R. Samuel, Historian, Mrs. J. E. McWilliams, Parliamentarian, will conduct the leader training meeting.

Even Dozen Grandparents

Chattanooga, Tenn. —(AP)— Patricia Anne Greene, 10-month-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. F. Greene, has more grandparents than she'll be able to count for a long time. She can boast of an even dozen who are living. On both her maternal and paternal sides, there are five generations living.

Exciting Week Ahead for College Cagers

New York, Jan. 31 —(AP)— The most exciting week of the season is ahead for college basketball fans. The results of some 15 outstanding games in the next six days should clear up considerably the national cage picture.

Two games Wednesday — Marquette at Great Lakes and Texas at Rice — start the fireworks. Great Lakes boasts 20 wins in 22 starts while Marquette, off to a poor start, has bowled over Camp Grant, DePaul and Notre Dame in its last three games. Leadership in the Southwest Conference is at stake in the Texas-Rice encounter.

Thursday Great Lakes faces another formidable opponent, Bowling Green, of Ohio, winner of 16 of 17 games. Friday Purdue and Ohio State start a two-game weekend series that will help determine the Big Ten champion. Northwestern, which smashed the 12-game winning streak of the Iowa Seahawks, takes on Wisconsin in another important Big Ten struggle.

The excitement mounts Saturday with the following on the card: Purdue-Ohio State; Oklahoma and Iowa State tangle for the Big Six leadership; North Carolina's domination in the Southern Conference again is threatened by Duke; Dartmouth risks its 11-game streak at Cornell; undefeated Army plays at Rochester; DePaul battles Notre Dame; Long Island meets Rhode Island State; Canisius is paired against Temple and California again plays UCLA.

Unbeaten Iowa, which faces hapless Chicago Saturday, ran its winning streak to 11 last week and, along with Army, Utah and Miami University of Ohio stayed in the spotless record class. Knocked out of the undefeated ranks were Georgia Tech, Albright, Milligan (Tenn) and Morehead (Ky) Teachers.

Among the service teams, other than Great Lakes, Norfolk (Va.) Naval Training Station boosted winning streak to 14 in a row and its season record to 24 wins against one loss. The Olathe (Kas) Naval Air Clippers also extended their winning streak to 14. They have lost once.

In the Southwest Conference Texas was upset by Texas Christian, 44-37, Rice taking over first place by half a game with Arkansas very much in the running.

In the Big Six Oklahoma, 27-26 winner over Missouri, is on top with 6-0 record, pressed closely by Iowa State, 4-0. Probably best overall is the independent Oklahoma Aggies with mark of 16-2.

Farmers Apply for Loans on 1944 Crops

John H. Barrow, field supervisor for the Emergency Crop and Feed Loan Office, stated that farmers of Hempstead County are now applying for loans to finance the production of their 1944 crops. Applications for loans are now being written in the Mid-South Cotton Office at Hope, Arkansas.

He stated that, in addition to financing the production of regular crops such as cotton and corn, loans were also being made for and that special emphasis is being placed on the production of those crops declared and so vitally needed this year in the war effort. Plans for 1944 call for increased production of many food crops. The production goals of these crops, which can be successfully planted and grown in Hempstead County, should be met and the need for funds necessary for their production will be given special consideration with the view that credit will be extended, where needed, so that every farm family will have an opportunity to make its maximum contributions to the Food Production Program.

Emergency Crop and Feed Loans are available to farmers, either owners or tenants, who own or can make arrangements for land to farm, who own or have the use of necessary workstock and equipment with which to farm, and who can give as security a first lien on the crops to be financed. Loans are also available for the purchase or production of feed for livestock to be fed for the market, or for breeding animals with the increase to be marketed and, as security, a first lien is required on such livestock. These loans will be made to farmers whose cash requirements are relatively small and who are unable to obtain from other sources, including local banks and Production Credit Associations, loans in an amount sufficient to meet their needs. Mr. Barrow emphasized that these loans are not restricted to selected applicants but are available to all farmers who can establish eligibility, according to the terms of the loan regulations and authorizing act.

Although a legume, peanuts do not add nitrogen to the soil, as do other legumes.

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Generous size costs little. And you make even greater savings in larger sizes.

"Willing hands at work for war"

Day and night they put through the calls that get war jobs done. They keep Long Distance lines working at capacity. When the lines are especially crowded, the operator will ask, "Will you please limit your call to five minutes?" At such times every moment you can save will help to clear a wartime traffic jam.

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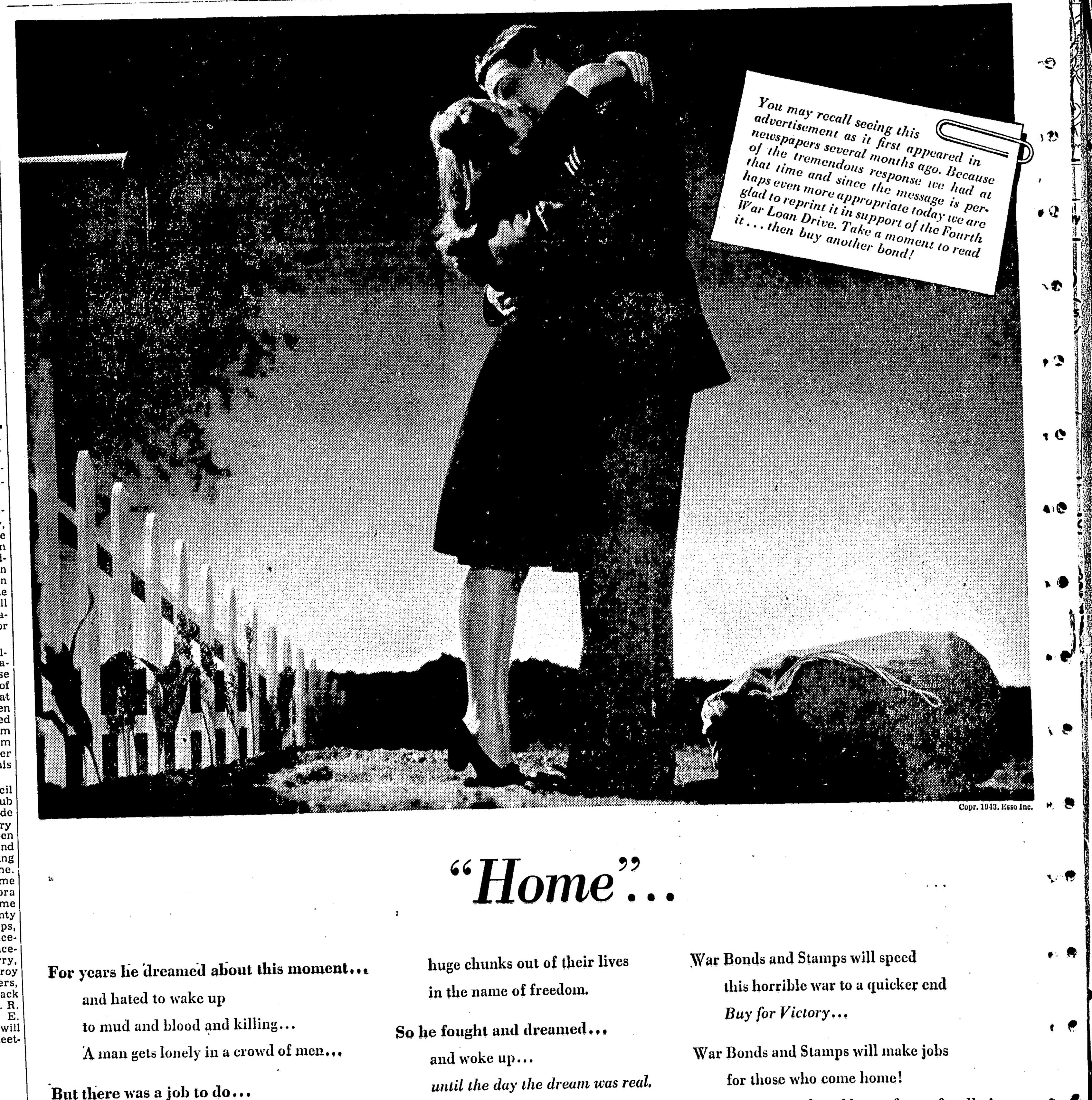
Let's All Back the Attack — Buy War Bonds



"Home"...

For years he dreamed about this moment...
and hated to wake up
to mud and blood and killing...
A man gets lonely in a crowd of men...
But there was a job to do...
a job of fighting to make this world
a decent place in which to live
So that other boys in the future...
wouldn't have to cut
huge chunks out of their lives
in the name of freedom.
So he fought and dreamed...
and woke up...
until the day the dream was real.
The thing to remember is this:
War Bonds and Stamps
will bring them together sooner!
Buy for Human Happiness...
War Bonds and Stamps will speed
this horrible war to a quicker end
Buy for Victory...
War Bonds and Stamps will make jobs
for those who come home!
Buy for a safe and better future for all of us.

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THE WEATHER

Arkansas: Partly cloudy this afternoon and tonight; Wednesday mostly cloudy, rain in southwest portion; not much change in temperature.

Our Daily Bread

Sliced Thin by The Editor
—Alex. H. Washburn—

Give Bad News Now Delay Brings Doubt

The practice, for the first time in American war history, of withholding news for as long as a year or two, may be furthering certain immediate goals of this war but it is doing so at the cost of public confidence in government.

The truth about Pearl Harbor was suppressed for one year. Naval strategy and the security of our remaining fleet units may have required this.

But the current story about Japanese atrocities against our men on Bataan and in Corregidor was withheld for nearly two years—and this is inexcusable.

That others feel the same way about it is evident from the following resolution adopted yesterday by the California State Assembly:

"The American people have the character and stamina to receive the unadulterated news of defeats, reverses and enemy atrocities as they occur"—and the resolution's author went on to charge that our government withheld the news of Japanese atrocities for two years merely to stimulate the sale of War Bonds now.

I do not see how, after the murder of 2,300 of our men at Pearl Harbor, anything else was required to inflame Americans against the treacherous Japanese.

But I do know this:

The same American government which uses a two-year-old atrocity story to stimulate the sale of War Bonds is breaking the hearts of thousands of American families whose boys are held prisoners by the Japanese—some of those families being our own Hope neighbors. They have had messages not so long ago saying the boys were doing pretty well.

Well, we've got to sell War Bonds but this paper owes it to the home people to remind them about some of the facts of government when it's war:

A quarter century ago I read, in World War No. 1, our government's statement that the Germans murdered women and cut off the hands of little children.

... 12 years later I read George Creel's confession that he and Herbert Bayard Swope, two members of the government war propaganda commission, had put this story out for the American government — but there never was a word of truth in it.

All of us believe the Japanese committed atrocities at Bataan and Corregidor.

But whether the Japanese have violated prisoners in the two years since then is the question raised but left unanswered by the current propaganda.

And that's what you get into when a story is withheld two years and then released with all the fanfare of a Hollywood production.

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By S. BURTON HEATH

Reconversion Boss

It seems now that WPB Chairman Donald M. Nelson is going to be the man to boss our industrial reconversion job. This general assumption is based on various statements and decisions affecting reconversion which Mr. Nelson has recently made in the course of his present job.

Mr. Nelson undoubtedly is a good man for the job. But it seems that it might lend more aid and comfort to a perturbed public if he, or whoever gets the position, were to receive a definite appointment from the President, complete with a clear definition of powers and duties.

The problem of reconversion is second only to the winning of the war, and its answer is of vital concern to everyone. Various groups, in and out of government, are shaping up plans to find this answer. Other groups are concerned with the problem of relocating many war workers and finding jobs for returning service men. Neither group can go much farther until a chief is appointed with the wisdom and authority to coordinate their efforts and start the wheels turning.

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Investments and Dividends

If the need for contributions to the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis is greater this year, the hope is greater, too. It may be that poliomyelits may strike again tris year as it did last, when 12,000 cases were reported. But, as more practitioners learn to administer the remarkable treatments devised by Sister Kenny, there is the assurance that more victims will walk again.

The Kenny treatment is expensive, but your dimes and dollars will pay generous dividends in health.

Special Tax for January Increases

Little Rock, Feb. 1 —(AP)— Arkansas' special tax collections during January totalled approximately $4,159,336.08, about $42,000 more than those of January, 1943, the Revenue Department reported today in a preliminary survey.

Revenue Commissioner Murray B. McLeod explained that the report had not yet been checked with the state treasurer, and would be subject to possible revision.

Increases, running from a few hundred dollars to several thousands, were shown in almost every bracket, the commissioner said. Among accounts on the upswing were sales tax, with $987,988.87 reported for the month against $908,...95.54 for January 1943; liquor tax, $129,296.29 compared to $90,091.25, gasoline tax, $838,715.22 against ...694.90.

Reds Expect to Capture Baltic Gateway Soon

By EDDY GILMORE

Moscow, Feb. 1 (AP)— The fall of Kingisepp, eight miles from Estonia and last eastern outpot of German defenses to the Baltic, was expected any hour today as the Red Army fought from house to house.

Lt. Col. Nikolai Denisov with the army in the north reported in Red Star that "our troops are capturing one house after another. The Russians were across the Luga river in several places and this meant there was no natural defense barrier between them and the big town of Narva, 14 miles west of Kingisepp."

German broadcasts said the Russians "made further advances in a few sectors" between Lake Ilmen and the Gulf of Finland. The communique reported a strong Russian breakthrough at the Nikopol bridgehead in the Dnieper bend and southwest of Dnepropetrovsk.

The Russians were giving the Germans a terrible beating as they drove them from a huge area between Lakes Ilmen and Peipus.

"The last days of the Leningrad front battles are characterized by the pursuit in all directions of the defeated enemy," Denisov reported.

He told how fast Soviet mobile units threatened the German flanks and rear as the Nazis fell back, sometimes running to avoid encirclement.

The Russians were slowed by a thaw west and southwest of Novgorod, the army newspaper said. A tank battalion was said to have captured the entire staff of a German artillery regiment in the region.

London, Feb. 1 (AP)— The Red Army continued its steady drive toward the Estonian frontier today with units of Gen. Leonid A. Govorov's Leningrad army battling stubborn German troops in the streets of Kingisepp, gateway to the Baltic and 13 miles from the ancient fortified city of Narva, five miles inside the Estonian border.

Both the Moscow communique and front line dispatches reported continuing Russian successes all along the northern front. Soviet troops crossed the Luga river, 27 miles southeast of Kingisepp, and captured the town of Lipa, two miles further west, in addition to forcing the water barrier at several other points north and south of Kingisepp.

The Germans were fighting bitterly but apparently were not able to stand up under the relentless hammering of the Russian power drive. Describing the progress of Govorov's veterans, a Moscow ar bulletin said

"Retreating under blows of the Soviet troops the enemy is abandoning guns, heavy mortars and stores of military supplies . . . The enemy suffered heavy losses of manpower."

In addition to his frontal attack on Kingisepp and other enemy positions along the pre-war Estonian border between the Gulf of Finland and Lake Peipus, 30 miles to the south, Govorov sent another force down the Leningrad-Pskov railway toward Luka, capturing Divinskaya on the way. Here Govorov's spearheads were less than 37 miles from a junction with Gen. Kyril A. Meretskov's Volkhov front army moving up from the Lake Ilmen district. This pincers movement has already isolated disorganized groups in Germans in the bleak lake and forest country to the east, the communique reported.

Meretskov was battling determined enemy resistance, the Russians said, but his men overran 40 towns and villages during yesterday's advance. Meretskov was apparently by-passing Batetskaya on the south in an effort to cut the Leningrad-Pskov railway. The Germans were counterattacking at every opportunity, but were consistently beaten back with heavy losses, according to the Russian war bulletin. Thirty-six big German field guns, most of them in battle order, fell to the Red Army troops.

Govorov's troops recovered a total of 83 towns and villages yesterday, Moscow reported. One Soviet unit alone killed more than 1,000 Germans in the marsh country below Kingisepp.

At the lower end of the 230-mile-long northern front Gen. m. m. Popov's Second Baltic Army was registering steady gains in its drive toward Latvia from Novosokolniki, the communique said.

Roll Call Vote on Soldier Bill Refused in House

Washington, Feb. 1 —(AP)—Brushing aside President Roosevelt's suggestion that members "stand up and be counted," the House refused today to provide a roll call vote on legislation to create uniform federal ballot machinery for the armed services.

Representing a severe set-back for federal-ballot forces, the vote on whether to have a record roll-call on the uniform ballot bill was rejected 233 to 160.

Thus advocates of a "states rights" bill held the upper hand as the House began four hours of debate on the sixxling issue. A decisive vote was likely tomorrow. The Senate has passed a measure tossing the soldier vote problem to the states, but now is considering new legislation.

If the house had ordered a separate vote on the Worley (D-Tex) bill, it would have departed from custom since the rules do not provide ordinarily for records on how each member stands on proposed amendments or substitutes to pending legislation.

The federal ballot (Worley) bill will be offered as a substitute for the "states rights" bill reported by the House elections committee. This is a modified form of the measure previously passed by the Senate.

BY HOWARD FLIEGER

Washington, Feb. 1 —(AP)— Democrats and Republicans clashed in the Senate today over responsibility for delaying a vote on the administration's war ballot bill for the armed services.

On the House side, meanwhile, Minority Leader Martin of Massachusetts predicted that the majority of Republicans would oppose a special roll call vote on the war ballot legislation.

Majority Leader Barkley (D-Ky) declared in the Senate "at the pace we're going the soldiers will be lucky to vote in the presidential election of 1972."

Senator Taft (R-Ohio) immediately countered with an assertion that Democratic leaders in the House were to blame for holding up the legislation. Taft declared the speaker and majority leader of the House had blocked floor consideration until today of a Senate-passed "state's rights" bill, which President Roosevelt denounced last week as "a fraud."

"The proponents of the war ballot plan have done everything they can to stall," Taft charged. "The bill in the House could have been passed two weeks ago."

Rep. Martin's statement came after a conference of Republican members of the House. Martin said it would be an extraordinary procedure to adopt a special rule for a record vote on the uniform federal ballot bill after approval by the House Eelections Committee of a "state's rights" measure.

If the House Republicans vote as a bloc against the special rule for a separate vote on a war ballot bill by Rep. Worley (D-Tex), it will be a severe setback to the uniform ballot sponsors.

Casualties of U.S. Now Total 146,186

Washington, Feb. 1 —(AP)— The Office of War Information (OWI) reports that casuaities among the armed forces total 146,186. Estimates of the dead do not include victims of Japanese atrocities as disclosed in the recent army-navy report.

The OWI's report, made public last night and based on War and Navy Department figures, show these totals:

Dead, 33,153; wounded, 49,518; missing 33,617 and prisoners, 29,898.

Army casualties totalled 109,434, of which 17,480 are listed as dead, 41,533 wounded, 24,806 missing and 25,615 prisoners. Of the wounded, 21,199 have returned to active duty or been released from the hospital.

Navy Department casualties of the navy proper, the coast guard and the marine corps are:

Navy: 12,116 dead, 3,151 wounded, 8,068 missing, 2,334 prisoners —total 25,669; coast guard —319 dead, 78 wounded, 44 missing, one prisoner — total 442; marine corps — 3,238 dead, 4,756 wounded, 699 missing, 1,948 prisoners —total: 10,641.

Sugar was made from milkweed by the French Canadians.

Warning Issued to Hope Dog Owners

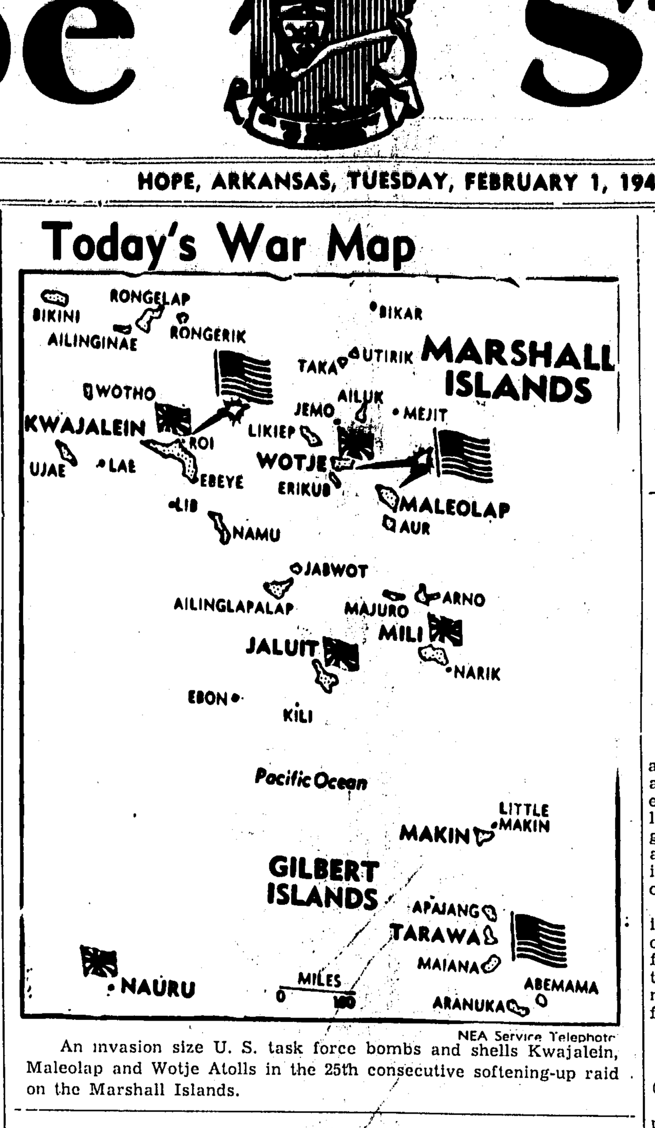
Police today issued a warning to dog owners to keep their canines up or have them shot. All dogs must wear a collar and license tag, otherwise they will be shot.

Special Handling

Etowah, Tenn.—Postmaster D.B. Todd says this town has one unwritten law: All mothers for the past 15 years have weighed their babies on the post office scales.

The floss of milkweed is used in making life preservers.

Today's War Map



An invasion size U. S. task force bombs and shells Kwajalein, Maleolap and Wotje Atolls in the 25th consecutive softening-up raid on the Marshall Islands.

Allies Within 16 Miles of Rome; Nazi Lines in Cassino Area Broken

—Europe

By WES GALLAGHER

Allied Headquarters, Algiers, Feb. 1 (AP)—Allied troops bursting forward in a big offensive from their invasion beachhead have struck to the outskirts of Campoleone, only 16 miles southeast of Rome, and also to the edge of Cisterna, communications town on the Appian Way 14 miles northeast of Anzio, headquarters announced today.

Campoleone is 15 miles above the invasion port of Anzio.

American troops attacking on the main front north of Cassino have hammered out new gains meanwhile, and seized 250 prisoners from the Germany 44th infantry division.

A field dispatch said German defenses in the corridor above Cassino were beginning to crumble.

U. S. units striking northeast of Anzio have reached within half a mile of Cisterna, a key rail and road junction and large air base. They found the Germans well dug in on the border of the city, and resisting strongly.

British forces pushing northward carried ahead in a coordinated assault to the edge of Campoleone.

The twin attacks were the first big offensive since the landings.

An Allied officer said the Nazis brought troops from the area north of Rome to meet the Allied blows. But the navy said that Allied landings of reinforcements and supplies were proceeding on schedule, under favorable conditions.

Allied planes meanwhile smashed at airfields at Klagenfurt, in South-Ano in Northern Italy, although bad ano in Northern Italy, although bad weather restricted air operations to 800 sorties.

(A Berlin broadcast said extensive fires were set at Udine and other Northern Italian cities).

On the main Fifth Army front to the South, American, British, and French forces surged forward at many points despite repeated German counterblows. The British took Mt. Natale, about a mile northwest of Minturno on the western end of the line. The Americans took 250 prisoners north of Cassino.

Section also flared in the Adriatic coastal sector where Canadian troops on the Eighth Army smashed ahead against stiff resitance, a communique said.

Eighteen German planes were destroyed during the day for a loss of four Allied aircraft.

Navy bulletin disclosed that light Allied coastal forces, darging close to the Yugoslav shore, sank a large schooner and a small tanker between Sibenink and Split Saturday night.

(A dispatch received in London from Allied headquarters said the Germans were rushing troops from north of Rome to bolster resitance in the bridgehead sector.)

Fulbright, Terry Enter Senate Race

Little Rock, Feb. 1 —(AP)— The roll of candidates for the Democratic nomination for the United States Senate at the July-August primaries doubled overnight.

Rep. J. W. (Bill) Fulbright, Fayetteville, and former Rep. David D. Terry, Little Rock, announced in Washington last night they were candidates for the Senate, joining Mrs. Hattie Caraway, Jonesboro, an avowed candidate for re-election, and J. Rosser Venable, Little Rock veteran of World War I, in the race.

Fulbright's announcement was followed closely by that of Circuit Judge J. W. Trimble, Berryville, that he would seek to succeed Fulbright as third district congressman.

Terry, who left the capital for his home today, said he would issue a formal satesment later. Terry was dean of Arkansas' delegation when he retired after five house terms to make an unsuccessful race for the Senate in 1942.

"I feel that my particular qualifications and experience can be of use to Arkansas during these difficult years," said Fulbright, author of the "Lasting Peace" resolution recording the House in favor of international cooperation to help solve future disputes.

"I shall develop fully during the campaign my views on the important problems facing Arkansas.

"It is obvious that the winning of the war in the quickest and most efficient manner possible is our number one job. Second, the basis for a just and lasting peace must be laid if the sacrifices of our boys and our civilians are to be worth-while and the fruits of our victory are not to be thrown away a second time.

"The welfare of the people of Arkansas is involved in both of these problems, and that welfare naturally will be of primary importance to me at all times."

Manufacturing Hits Peak Before Cutback

St. Louis, Feb. 1 —(AP)— Industry in the Eighth Federal Reserve district completed the job of converting to war production in 1943 and rose to an all-time peak in manufacturing output before feeling the first effects of cutbacks in military requirements.

That was the picture drawn by the Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis today in a review of the record of the district in exceeding the high mark of 1939 when the total value of its peacetime manufactured products was $2,400,000,000.

The figure for 1943 was not given but major supply orders (those of $50,000 or more exclusive of food contracts) in the seven months from March to September were $1,900,000,000.

Of this, 92 per cent went to the four major industrial centers of the district, St. Louis, Louisville, Memphis and Evansville.

The average fertile topsoil has a thickness of about seven inches.

Bids to Open on Highway Work

Little Rock, Feb. 1 —(AP)— The highway department probably will start asking bids this month on projects for reconstruction of highways damaged by last spring's floods, Highway Director W. W. Mitchell said today.

The (WPB) completed granting of prioriies yesterday for the department's list of projects and the public roads administration approved them last week.

U. S. Troops Invade Marshall Islands, Establish Beachheads

—War in Pacific

Pearl Harbor, Feb. 1 (AP)United States troops landed in the Marshall islands near Roi, Kwajalein and have established beachheads.

Adm. Chester W. Nimitz reported in a comunique today that Japanese are putting up strong opposition, but initial information indicates American casualties so far have been moderate.

This is the first time invasion has been attempted of any territory the Japanese held before Pearl Harbor.

Our troops are fighting to take islands which the enemy has preparing a quarter of a century.

Admiral Nimitz said the Fourth Marins Division, headed by Maj. Gen. Harry Schmidt, landed in the Rio island area and the Seventh Infantry commanded by Maj. Gen. Charles H. Corlett, landed in the Kwajalein island area.

By MORRIE LANDSBERG
Associated Press War Editor

Invasion winds blew around pivotal Japanese bases in the Central Pacific today, fanned by the thundering assaults of army and navy bombers and the guns of probably the greatest American task force ever sent against the Nipponese.

Tokyo tossed out several hints that American troops already have landed in the Marshalls athwart Japan's first line of defensive bases. One broadcast declared "it has been made clear to us that the enemy has taken a new offensive operation against our Marshall Island groups".

But strict radio silence dictated by security reasons blanketed the movements of the mighty naval forces, including battleships and aircraft carriers, which bombarded the Marshalls from the air and from the sea over the weekend.

The navy made no mention of any invasion operation as such in announcements yesterday telling of a seaplane raid Sunday night on Wake Island, 700 miles north of the heavily-fortified Marshalls, together with earlier army Seventh Air Force attacks on principal bases in the mid-Pacific island chain.

The strike at Wake, delivered by two squadrons of Coronado seaplanes, was described officially as strong. It was regarded as Pearl Harbor as undoubtedly timed to knock out the enemy airfield and prevent either Japanese air reinforcements for the Marshalls or counterblows against U. S. naval units.

Land-based army bombers, in the 25th day of the aerial offensive to soften up the Marshalls, smashed at Kwajalein, Mili, Maloelap, Wotje and Jaluit atolls Saturday night and early Sunday morning.

The pattern of attack suggested the strategy used in the successful campaign which wrested the Gilbert Island from the Japanese in brief but bloody fighting last November. There, too, a series of air raids was climaxed by close-to-shore naval shelling and more aerial bombardment to clear the way for assault troops.

In the Southwest Pacific, Japanese plane losses at Rabaul mounted to more than 550 for January as Solomons-based Allied raiders destroyed an additional 36 in damaging sweeps over the New Britain base Saturday.

Vice Adm. Aubrey W. Fitch, commander of the South Pacific Air Force assigned to pound at the shattered enemy stronghold, told interviewers at an advanced air base that the Japanese will attempt to withdraw key personnel and vital equipment when the cost of defending Rabaul became too high.

New, More Rigid Draft Rules in Effect Today

Washington, Feb. 1 (AP)— New and more rigid draft deferment and reclassification rules went into effect today with about 2 1-2 million men remaining in dependency groups as selective service boards aimed for the goal of a 600,000-man induction for the first two months of 1944.

Officials estimated last night that in December and January, a total of 2,000,000 men who had been deferred because of family obligations were reclasified from 3-A, nearly all of whom were pre-war fathers.

Figures for December show that:
50,000 fathers were inducted:
50,000 fathers were put in 4-F (physically or mentally unfit);
631,000 fathers were given occupational deferments, and
11,500 fathers were deferred as "hardship" cases.

Thr was no information available however, as to how many of the 2,000,000 reclassified from 3-A were put into 1-A or went into uniform.

The new regulations provide

(1) No registrant shall be inducted until he has passed a thorough physical examination by army-navy doctors at least 21 days previously. Prior to the ordering of pre-induction physicals by Congress, examinations were given at induction;

(2) Registrants from 18 through 21 no longer will be granted occupational deferments unless they are engaged in farming or a state selective service director certifies that a potential inductee is necessary in industry.

Officials expressed belief one result of the new regulations will be a lag in inductions in the early part of this month and a heavy increase toward the end.

Japs Say U.S. Just Hiding Own Atrocities

London, Feb. 1 —(AP)—In the first official comment from Tokyo on recent Allied revelations of Japanese atrocities, a Japanese government spokesman asserted last night that the disclosures were part of "a cloak for cruelties committed by the Allies themselves," a DNB broadcast from Tokyo declared.

"It is furthermore intended to stir up emotion among their own people, whose enthusiasm for prosecution of the war was considerably fading," the broadcast quoted the spokesman, Sadao Iguchi, as saying.

(The Japanese Domei agency also broadcast Iguchi's statement. U. S. government monitors, who recorded the English - language broadcast, said the Japanese domestic radio had not mentioned the atrocities to its own people.)

Iguchi asserted, DNB said, that the Allies "have no right to lodge a complaint" because, he declared, they had sunk a Japanese hospital ship and committed cruelties against Japanese civilian internees. He was represented as saying that American and British leaders "will most certainly be made to pay their full due for bringing upon the entire world an atrocity war."

Lists Servicemen Eligible to Vote

Little Rock, Feb. 1 (AP) —Lists of servicemen who will be eligible to vote in this year's elections if their counties pay their poll taxes were in the mails today for the county clerks.

The lists were forwarded by Brig. Gen. E. L. Compere, selective service director, from compilations supplied by local draft boards. Compere forwarded them to the clerks under provisions of a 1923 act authorizing the counties to pay servicemen's poll taxes on certification by the state adjutant general.

The lists included the names of men who will be 21 at the time of the November general election but did not include the names of regular army and national guard soldiers who were not required to register for the draft in 1940 or those of many volunteers since that date, Compere said. He explained these names were not available to the draft boards.

The highlands of New York and Vermont produce about two-thirds of the country's maple sugar and syrup.

Several Arkansans Receive Promotions

Washington, Feb. 1 —(AP)— The temporary promotion of William Bigelow Robinson, 2115 Arch St., Little Rock, Ark., from first lieutenant to captain was announced today by the War Department.

Two other Arkansans were advanced from second to first lieutenant. They were Lenox Ray Perkins, Rt. 5, Fayetteville, and James Edward Lightle, Jr., 5321 Southwood Rd., Little Rock.

First Lt. George Aki, Denson, Ark., and Second Lt. Robert Taylor Bradford, Jr., Little Rock, were ordered to active duty.

NOTICE

Beginning Monday, January 17, 1944, all persons having an honorable discharge from any branch of Armed Forces will find assistance in filling out military service claims at the "Hempstead County Service Bureau," located at Chamber of Commerce office, City Hall building, Hope, Arkansas.

Terrell S. Cornelius, Adj., the American Legion, Acting Service Officer, Hope, Ark.

Final Action on New Tax Bill Is Expected Soon

By FRANCIS J. KELLY

Washington, Feb. 1 —(AP)— The new $2,315,800,000 tax bill which is counted on to swell the government's total income to more than $43,500,000,000 a year went to legislative drafting experts for a final polishing today before its ratification by House and Senate.

As approved last night by a joint conference committee named to thresh out differences between the two Houses, the measure proposes to rais more than a billion dollars through sharply increased excise taxes, about half a billion extra from corporate excess profits taxes, approximately $664,000,000 from individual income taxpayers, and the balance from higher postal rates.

Senator George (D-Ga), head of the Senate conferees, predicted the bill would be called up and approved in both houses sometime tomorrow.

In its sixth and final day's work on the long-pending measure, the conference adjusted a number of contentious issues, including a series of amendments to the war contracts renegotiation act.

In general, the change tend to modify the impact of renegotiation from contractors.

The House conferees waged a futile last-ditch action to tax parimutuel betting, but the Senate group, which included Majority Leader Barkley, or horse-breeding Kentucky, insisted that taxation be left to the states.

Into the bill, however, went such new excise rates as these 20 percent sales taxes on furs, jewelry, cosmetics, toilet articles, luggage and women's handbags; 30 percent on night club and cabaret checks; $9 a gallon on 100-proof whisky (it's now $6); a penny on each nickel of admission to movies, ball games and other amusements; 15 percent on railroad, ship, plane and bus tickets; 15 percent on local telephone service, and many others.

Air mail postage goes up from 6 cents an ounce to 8; locally delivered letters will cost 3 cents instead of 2; money order, registered mail fees and other special postal charges will be higher.

If the bill becomes law by Feb. 19, the new excise rates take effect March 1. The postal increases become effective 30 days after enactment.

Individual income taxpayers no longer will get the benefit of a 10 percent earned income credit in computing their normal tax. Neither will they be allowed to deduct federal excise taxes they have paid. The victory tax becomes a straight 3 percent tax on every dollar of income over $624 a year, regardless of family status.

But the income tax changes will operate only in the 1944 tax year and so will not affect computations on the 1943 returns due next March 15.

Despite the insistence of the White House and treasury for still heavier taxes (the present bill falls far short of the administration's $10,500,000,000 request), responsible lawmakers see no chance for sharply increased rates in 1944.

County Total in War Bonds 66% of Quota

County Chairman C. C. Spragins announced today that Hempstead's total sales in the Fourth War Loan have reached $390,000—which is 66.1 per cent of the $590,000 county quota.

The county has only a third of its quota to go, with two weeks in which to raise it, the intensive drive for the Fouth War Loan ending February 15.

The Saenger theater will hold its Fourth War Loan motion picture show Tuesday, February 8, with purchasers of War Bonds since January 18 being admitted free. The picture is "Heaven Can Wait," starring Don Ameche and Gene Tierney, in technicolor.

Tickets are being distributed at War Bond issuing stations, but if tickets should not be obtained at time of purchase they may be gotten on presentation of the War Bond at the Saenger box office.

Time on "Heaven Can Wait" is 8:30 o'clock Tuesday, February 8. The regular show will close at 7 p. m., clearing the house for the War Bond show, Manager Hiram Meeks said.